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Column One
By **David Courtney**

EGYPT is now ready to think about joining a Middle East Command. The new Maher Government, it may be supposed, is in fact willing to join on terms that would put the Canal Zone bases to international use, probably with an Egyptian in titular command and an American token force to take the edge off the continued presence of British troops. Even then, of course, the Sudan question would remain; but divorced from the problem of Middle East security and the proposed regional command. With the quarrel about Britain's place in the Canal Zone abated, it might not be as difficult as it seems to come to a provisional agreement over Sudan. It is worth remembering that Farouk's title to the dual crown of Egypt and Sudan is not altogether new. The last "Statesman's Year Book" but one described the monarch as King of Egypt and the Sudan; and the Editor, when questioned about it, stated that that description had been provided by the British Embassy in Cairo. Such is the persuasive force of exigency, that a way may be found to give a little more formality, if no substance, to the title; and to satisfy Egyptian vanity if not the aspirations of the Sudanese.

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WHAT all this may amount to is a subject for speculation. National passions rise and fall so oddly and unaccountably, that there is no telling what the anti-Western leaders in Egypt may yet be able to do with the populace. The Egyptian people alternate ferocity and passivity. They may have worn themselves out in the recent tempest, and be willing enough, now, as the enervating warmth of spring approaches, to leave the affairs of the country to their King, Government and diplomats. On the whole, therefore, the prospects are that the Lisbon Conference of the Atlantic Council next month will be able to consider the question of a Middle East Command with some assurance of Egypt's willingness to play its part. Mr. Churchill anxiously wants the command and would appear to have restored America's direct interest in it. The Washington reports of Tuesday, which suggested that the plan had been "shelved," came only from "informed quarters." Wednesday's reports were from "authoritative quarters" and made it clear that the plan was very far from shelved; and Mr. Acheson himself was at pains to point out that the scheme was still alive and the place for Egypt still waiting. France is in agreement with Britain and America, and Turkey, fourth of the sponsoring powers, although not enthusiastic, is more amiably disposed, now that one Atlantic government after the other is ratifying the agreement by which, strategically and politically speaking, her frontiers are to be shifted to the cold Atlantic Ocean.

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EGYPT'S readiness to talk the matter over, undoubtedly means that the other members of the Arab League think well of the Command, if a formula for saving Egyptian faces can be found—and that should not be difficult. The scheme, therefore, should go through fairly quickly. In principle, it will be much the same scheme as before but in much detail it may be made more agreeable to the Arabs; it is extremely unlikely that its terms will be any more pleasant for Israel than they were before.

Tel Aviv, February 1.

Burma Hints At Pact with China

PARIS, Thursday (UP). — Burma today told the U.N. General Assembly that, while she had not yet approached the Chinese People's Government on the question "we wonder if it would be justified to enter into a collective security pact, under the U.N. Charter, with a country with whom we have diplomatic relations, and which would help us to repel invaders by force."

The Burmese delegate, U Saw Lin, was speaking in a debate on the definition of aggression.

He complained of the Western powers' opposition to writing a hard definition of aggression. "If there is no definition," U Saw Lin said, "it gives these powers an excuse not to act. If those nations opposing a definition of aggression, but who are for collective security, would instruct the de facto Kuomintang Government on the island of Formosa, they would stop all material and moral aid (to the Nationalist forces in Burma), and let them stew in their own mess — unless the invaders withdraw immediately.

Not Inclined to Act

"But if there is no definition of aggression, these nations do not feel called on to take any action. Action to get them out has been slow. We want quick action from the U.N." However, he said, he was making no proposals on the point at this time.

Earlier this week, Burma told the Political Committee that Nationalist General Li Mi's troops in northeastern Burma are "aggressors" and a real threat to Far Eastern peace. The Soviet bloc alleged Gen. Li has six divisions in the area, accompanied by two American generals, six colonels and twenty-seven majors, as instructors.

Western delegates in turn express fears that this may mean the Chinese Communists are preparing an invasion of Indo-China, Thailand or Burma. They warned such aggression would produce instant U.N. action.

2 Gadna Boys Due Back Next Week

The two Gadna boys who lost their way on a hike last week and are now in the hands of the Arab Legion in Ramallah, may be returned at the beginning of next week. This was stated by the Israel delegation to the Mixed Armistice Commission after they had raised the question at a meeting of the M.A.C. yesterday.

Most of the six hours of formal and informal sessions of the Israel-Jordan MAC at Mandelbaum Gate yesterday were taken up with the interrogation of three Arabs charged with having raped, strangled and mutilated an 18-year old Israeli girl early in December south of Malha, on the outskirts of Jerusalem. An Israeli communique stated that:

The Israel Delegation disclosed fool-proof evidence as to their guilt and expressed the hope that the Jordan authorities would now take the necessary steps against them.

New measures to combat infiltration were discussed at the meeting, which afterwards agreed to issue the following joint statement:

Local commanders and Police representatives of both sides are to meet daily all along the Armistice line to implement the agreement on extra-ordinary measures to be taken to curb infiltration and to bring about a general improvement of border relations. Special orders have been issued to troops, police and local authorities, and measures have been taken to avoid delays and red tape with regard to the return of any property, which might be stolen despite the agreement. The MAC delegations will be mobile throughout the test period, and intend to take part in the meetings of the local commanders in each of the various sectors.

Twelve infiltrators were killed, two wounded, and 46 arrested between January 16 and January 29, it was officially announced in Tel Aviv yesterday.

French Note Eases Tunisian Tension

TUNIS, Thursday (Reuter). — The first sign that delivery of the latest French note on Franco-Tunisian differences had helped to dissipate the remaining tension here was seen last night when the Bey of Tunis went for a drive through the city. The Bey had confined himself to his palace for the past two weeks and it had been given out that he was ill.

Earlier the French Resident General, Count de Hauteloque had driven to the Palace and handed the note to the Bey. As a first step towards meeting the Tunisians half-way, the French have decided to abolish the post of Director of Political Affairs, which was one of the causes of friction official sources discussed. The Directorship was instituted after the reforms of February last year, which abolished the right of the French Secretary-General to veto all administrative and ministerial decrees. Some Tunisian quarters complained that the new Directorship merely replaced the old veto power by another.

No Consultations

The Tunisian Premier, Mohammed Chenik, has not yet consulted the other Tunisian ministers on their next step. He is expected to do so tomorrow, it was stated in the Premier's entourage.

It was believed in usually well informed quarters that the ministers would ask for the withdrawal of the troops now completing security operations on Cape Bon and elsewhere, as a condition for a meeting of the joint Franco-Tunisian committee proposed by the French. In view of the diminishing number and seriousness of incidents in the country it was thought in these quarters that the Residency and the Tunisian Ministers might reach a compromise.

Though tension was eased, nationalist agitators continued minor activity yesterday. A railway line was cut 12 kms. from Tunis and police and troops continued to make arrests on Cape Bon.

Tunisian Situation Being Watched

The Jewish Agency Executive is maintaining a close watch on the political situation in Tunis and will speed up immigration of the 110,000 Jews there if necessary, an Agency spokesman stated yesterday in Jerusalem.

Noting the "difficult financial and health problems involved" in such a transfer, the spokesman said: "We cannot turn Israel into a hospital." The first to be brought here would be the healthy and those capable of working, he said. A team of 10 doctors, sent to Tunis recently by the Agency was now completing its report.

300 Jews in Prison

The spokesman also reported that about 300 Jews remain in Iraqi prisons. "The murder of the two Jewish men has not lessened the dangerous situation there for Jews and we are most seriously concerned about the fate of the remaining 10,000 Jews," he said. About 125,000 Jews have emigrated from Iraq during the past two years. The spokesman termed the Baghdad hangings as an attempt by Iraq to "camouflage its robbery of Jewish property and to win over world public opinion for its action."

In New York yesterday, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, New York Chairman, said reports from emissaries in Tunisia "leave no doubt as to the urgency of the situation," U.P. reports.

Dr. Goldmann added: "It is evident nationalism in this terse Moslem country is accompanied — not necessarily by the deliberate design of the leadership but almost automatically — by xenophobia and mounting religious bigotry."

Korea Parleys To Include Foreign Troops Issue

PANMUNJOM, Thursday (Reuter). — The U.N. today proposed to speed up the truce talks by allowing their delegates to discuss the withdrawal of foreign troops from Korea.

This question, hitherto regarded by the Allies as a political matter for later discussion, is one of the items which could be taken up in a new subcommittee, suggested today, a briefing officer said.

The new subcommittee would discuss "recommendations to Governments," item five on the truce talks agenda, while other subcommittees continued their study of armistice supervision and exchange of prisoners.

Demanded Repeatedly

The Communists had previously repeatedly demanded the inclusion of this item in the truce talks.

But the U.N. Commander, General Matthew Ridgway, would not be able to order troops from Korea, the briefing officer added. This would be a matter for the government which had committed them.

The Allied chief delegate, Admiral Turner Joy, making the new proposal in a letter to Communist General Nam Il, suggested that the Communists should offer the first draft agreement on "recommendations to Governments."

In contrast to the frequent "no progress reports of the truce meetings, a U.N. spokesman said "there was no major disagreement" at today's meeting of Staff officers on the supervision subcommittee. But the prisoners sub-committee again produced "no progress."

The front was quiet.

Labour Opposes New Tory Restrictions

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — Mr. Clement Attlee, leader of the Labour opposition, speaking in the Commons today in the debate on Britain's economic situation, said crises would recur unless measures were taken for world planning of reserves.

"The immense amount of gold lying in U.S. vaults ought to be backing currencies all over the world," he said.

Mr. Attlee moved a "no confidence" amendment of a Government motion asking for approval of measures announced by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Harold Butler, on Tuesday. These include cuts of £150m. in imports and savings of £20m. in social services.

The Labour amendment agreed with the need to right the balance of payments, but criticized the "attacks on the social services" as "irrelevant, unnecessary and unfair." It said the Government's policy was in "marked contrast to the optimistic statements on which it was returned to power."

Goods Standardization Being Considered

The increase of productivity and the strengthening of the national economy involving considerable standardization of industrial products and the manufacture almost only of austerity goods for the domestic market, are among the prime measures now being studied by the Cabinet, economic circles disclosed in Jerusalem yesterday.

These plans are based on the assumption that considerable quantities of raw materials are used for the production of non-vital and non-austerity products requiring foreign currency allocations for raw materials which would otherwise be used for urgently needed food imports.

In addition, the manufacture of high priced non-austerity goods for the local market tends to discourage manufacturers from producing for export.

The question of granting subsidies to exporters is still being studied by the Cabinet.

GRANT-IN-AID FOOD COMES

HAIFA, Thursday. — The first shipment of food from American grant-in-aid funds is due to arrive in the s.s. Laurencian Valley tomorrow. The ship will bring 3,000 tons of wheat and 4,000 tons of flour.

U.N. Orders Further Kashmir Mediation

PARIS, Thursday (Reuter). — The Security Council today asked the U.N. representative, Dr. Frank Graham, to continue for two months his efforts to settle the India-Pakistan dispute over Kashmir.

India said she agreed with this course and would cooperate. Pakistan earlier had told the Council "the situation brooks no further delay."

Dr. Graham told the Council that both sides had given him "new hope of reaching an agreement. We shall do our best."

Lie Recommends Big Power Parleys

PARIS, Thursday (Reuter). — The U.N. Secretary General, Mr. Trygve Lie, declared today that the world organization was becoming more and more an international instrument for concrete action to meet the urgent needs confronting the world.

He was presenting to the General Assembly a report in the development of his 20-year peace plan, first submitted in July, 1950. Mr. Lie listed three areas where new efforts were required by member states to utilize United Nations resources.

- **The big power conflict;**
- **The problem of peaceful adjustment between old interests and the rising tide of nationalism in Asia, Africa and especially the Middle East;**
- **The need for more effective long range planning and action in the financing of economic development.**

Turning to the big power conflict, Mr. Lie said, "we may be moving in a direction that will afford new opportunities for serious negotiation" between East and West. Referring to the Assembly's recommendation for a top-level meeting of the Security Council whenever such a meeting is useful, he added that such meetings should be held mainly in private to explore the possibilities of widening areas of agreement. He also believed that "timely consultations" between the great powers, both within and outside the Security Council, were essential.

The new Disarmament Commission would in the long run bear fruit, no matter how discouraging the prospects might appear now, he declared.

ISRAEL SUPPORTS PLAN

By a Special Correspondent

PARIS, Thursday. — Speaking in the plenary session of the U.N. General Assembly Mr. Abba Eban today pledged Israel's support for the U.N. Secretary-General's 20-year programme for peace."

The ideological conflict, he said, was part of the spiritual geography of our age and the U.N. must accept these divergencies, yet seek to mitigate their most acute expression.

He said there was a growing sentiment in favour of the universality of the U.N., but the exclusion of half the states of Europe from that international body was a "glaring paradox beyond explanation or excuse."

"Membership of the U.N., instead of being a natural and original right of every state, has become a price so difficult to obtain that only two states have achieved it within the past three years."

On the question on specialized agencies, Mr. Eban pointed out that advances had been made in the welfare and health of peoples, but it was unfortunate that in the Middle East, where the work of the specialized agencies had a special significance, they were paralyzed by the intrusion of political tensions which should have no place in their context. "Famine, plague, and locusts recognize no frontiers," he said.

The resolution on the development of a 20-year programme to achieve peace through the U.N. was adopted by 45 votes to 5, with no abstentions. Israel voted in favour.

Wafd Agrees to Join Egypt National Front

New Body Has Wide Powers

CAIRO, Thursday (Reuter). — Premier Maher Pasha tonight announced that ex-Premier Nahas Pasha's Wafd Party—the strongest in Egypt—had agreed to join a proposed "National Front." The Front, with Maher Pasha as Chairman is expected to be formed within 48 hours by a Royal decree.

Its members will enjoy the status of "Envoy Extraordinary," and act as advisers whose recommendations will be binding on the Cabinet.

All main parties — except the fanatical nationalists and the extreme left — are believed to have agreed to join the Front. They include the Saadists, the Liberal Constitutional Party and the Kutla Party.

The Front will also include independent "elder statesmen," to make it more representative.

Expect New Proposals

The newspaper "Al Misri" said today that new U.S., British, French and Turkish proposals on Middle East defence would be submitted to Egypt during February, "if conditions allow." The paper said that U.S. circles expected Egypt to end her insistent refusal to consider the four-power plan, and that she will put forward counter-proposals.

"Al Ahram" said the U.S. Government "would be prepared to guarantee British evacuation from the Canal Zone."

Last night Ali Maher told reporters: "We are ready to consider any understanding Mr. Eden might propose." He was commenting on the British Foreign Secretary's statement in the Commons yesterday that Britain still wanted a settlement with Egypt which would respect the Egyptian point of view.

Farouk Sees Najib

King Farouk last night received in audience Najib e-Rawi Bey, Iraqi Minister here, who was understood to have handed the King a note from Iraqi Regent Abdul Illah concerning an offer of good offices in negotiating an Anglo-Egyptian settlement.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of the Interior last night announced a number of dismissals, transfers, promotions and demotions of senior police and public security officials.

Loudspeaker vans today toured Cairo's streets warning the people not to heed rumours.

The Canal Zone, meanwhile, experienced its fifth consecutive quiet day. Plans for reinforcing the British garrison in the Zone will be set into motion tomorrow with the arrival of a battalion from Cyprus.

IRISH WREATHS

DUBLIN, Thursday (Reuter). — The Association against the Partition of Ireland has decided to present the Egyptian Prime Minister with a wreath in Irish colours, to be placed on the graves of the "46 martyrs of Ismailia."

Britain Announces Army Increase

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — British is to increase the fighting strength of her army by seven battalions, the War Minister, Mr. Anthony Head, announced today.

The strength of a British battalion is normally about 1,000 men. The new battalions, all infantry, will be raised in Britain this spring and summer, he told the House of Commons.

Mr. Head said this "considerable increase in the army's fighting strength" could only be achieved within the present manpower ceiling by rigidly combing out administrative units.

Later, Mr. Churchill, replying to a question on Britain defences, said: "I have never seen this country so denuded as it is at the present time."

Cairo Press Reports Uprising in Syria

CAIRO, Thursday (Reuter). — Arabic newspapers here today said that the former Syrian Premeir, Nazim el Kudsi, had been assassinated and there had been "grave incidents" in Syria.

The Syrian Legation here had no information from Damascus on these reports, or on reports of an uprising in Syria. A spokesman said the Legation had cabled the Syrian Foreign Ministry, asking for details.

Censorship is applied in Damascus, and it takes a considerable time for accurate information to reach here.

In Paris, the French Foreign Ministry and the Syrian Embassy said they had no reports of an uprising in Syria.

London Reserved On Cairo Peace Offer

By George Lichtheim,
POST Correspondent

LONDON, Thursday. — Cairo's discreet offers to resume discussions on SACME are being received here with reserve. This is partly due to resentment at Saturday's riot toll, and partly to doubt whether the Egyptian Premier means to negotiate with all four SACME powers or merely with the U.S.

The decisive intervention which placed him in office came from the U.S. side. It is, therefore, conjectured that U.S. support has already informally been given to his programme.

What this is remains to be seen. Before the crisis, it was widely thought that Washington favoured a compromise on the Sudan, but Mr. Churchill has always placed the emphasis on the Suez. He was again at pains yesterday to stress that Britain cannot carry the whole burden.

An important factor in guiding Whitehall's decisions is the unfavourable Indian and Pakistani reaction to British toughness in the Canal Zone. While the Cairo mob savagery is merely deplored, the British Army's action at Ismailia is sharply condemned. This is an additional reason why Whitehall is anxious to have U.S. and perhaps Commonwealth and Turkish troops stationed in the Zone.

The British view is that this represents a sacrifice of British interests for which Egypt should pay by entering SACME and ceasing to make trouble in the Sudan. The Egyptians naturally do not see it quite that way.

Rumanian Devaluation Described

HAIFA, Thursday. — The fear that immigration from Rumania may be hit by the devaluation of Rumanian currency this week, since immigrants are unable to pay the rail fares to the embarkation port at Constanza was expressed by arrivals from that country today.

From the 260 immigrants who disembarked from the s.s. Transilvania, it was learned that 70 persons remained behind in Constanza as they were unable to pay the customs duty on their possessions, and were unwilling to leave without them. Some 40 persons, who were also unable to pay the duty left their belongings behind, and came here only with the clothes on their backs.

The immigrants said that those who arrived in Constanza on Saturday and Sunday paid the duty on their luggage in the old currency, but those who came on Monday, after the devaluation decree, were unable to pay. Some immigrants used to pay their customs duty by selling some of their belongings. There are no buyers now.

The Rumanian Immigrant's Association here has decided to ask the Jewish Agency for help in obtaining the release of the luggage left behind.

After devaluation, customs duty dropped from 6,000—9,000 lei to about 200 on each chain of belongings. The currency was devalued at the rate of 1 lei for 20 of the first 1,000 lei, and 1 for 400 of the balance in the case of workers, salaried employees and kolkhoz farmers, and 1 lei for 100 of the first 1,000 and 1 lei for the next 1,000 to a maximum of 4,000 for non-workers and land-owning farmers.

The non-workers, who received a maximum of 13 lei in new currency, would be able to buy bread for two weeks at the rate of 6.7 lei a loaf, the immigrants said. The devaluation was preceded by a 1 for 1 exchange of currency a few weeks previously, which calmed the populace, and strengthened their confidence in the money. After all the currency was exchanged and registered, the devaluation came into force.

General Council To Meet March 13

The Zionist General Council will meet on March 13 in Jerusalem, a Jewish Agency spokesman announced yesterday, denying rumours that the meeting would be postponed. A plenary session of the Agency Executive will be held on March 4.

The spokesman also said that the two committees, which have been studying the Schmorak report and preparing an official reply, had almost completed their work. Both the report and reply, he said, are "being prepared for printing" and the General Council's Praesidium will meet next Wednesday to decide on a publication date.

Iraqi Consulate in U.S. Gets Bomb Warning

NEW YORK, Thursday (Reuter). — Police today searched the Manhattan offices of the Iraqi Consulate after a warning that a bomb had been left there. A. K. Gailani, the Iraqi Consul-General immediately evacuated with his staff.

The warning in the form of a "press release" bore the heading "Magen Ha Am, U.S. headquarters."

The press release said a bomb had been planted in retaliation for the Iraqi government's murder of the two Jewish boys who were hanged in Baghdad on January 21.

Police searched the Consulate from basement to roof but found no bomb.

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Social & Personal

Professor Norman Bentwich has been reappointed to the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University. He served on the Board from 1925 until 1932 when he was made Professor of International Relations at the University.

Mr. David Stern, Director of the Jewish Agency's Economic Department in New York, left for the U.S. yesterday.

Major A.H. Friedgut, K.C. Agent General in Israel of the Zionist Organisation of Canada, has returned from a three months' tour of the principal cities of Canada in connection with private investments here.

Mr. Michael Blatt has been appointed Director of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry's Control Section in the Jerusalem District.

Mr. Yochanan Beham, Secretary General of the Ministry of Finance returned by K.L.M. last night.

Dr. Roman Pretzel, Tel Aviv, has been appointed a member of the Standing Committee of Marriage and Family Counselling at the National Council on Family Relations in Chicago, U.S.

Mr. Ehud Avriel, Director General of the Prime Minister's Office, will open an exhibition of paintings by the late Max W. Arnold at the Bezalel National Museum in Jerusalem at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Mrs. Shoshana Persitz, M.K., will be the guest speaker at the luncheon meeting at 1 o'clock on Sunday of the Tel Aviv Association of University Women, at the Carlton Restaurant, Shderot Rothschild, Tel Aviv.

Professor I. Gruschka will address the Tel Aviv Women's Medical Association at the Strauss Health Centre, 14 Rehov Balfour, at 8.15 Monday evening on "The Protection of Expectant Mothers."

The last two song recitals of Kenneth Spencer will take place at the Orah Hall, Haifa, at 8.30 tonight and at the Y.M.C.A. Auditorium in Jerusalem, tomorrow night.

An exhibition of paintings by the late Anton Jarosy will be opened by Mr. Daniel Auster at 11.30 tomorrow at the Israel Touring Club in Talbieh, Jerusalem.

An exhibition of portrait painting by Elly Mitamare will be opened at Bet Haezrach in Ramat Gan at 3.30 tomorrow afternoon. The paintings will be on view from 2.30—7 p.m. daily for a fortnight.

BIRTHS

POMPAN — To Sophie (nee Bandel), wife of Mr. Itzhak Pompan, Nathanya, on Thursday, January 31, 1952 at the Marpey Itzhak Hospital, Nathanya—a daughter.

SHIFFMAN — To Mira (nee Stiles), wife of Dr. Felix Shiffman, on January 31 at the Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem — a daughter.

BAR MITZVAH

Mr and Mrs. A. Berner will have At Home at Tel Benyamin between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. tomorrow on the occasion of the Bar Mitzva of their twin sons, Gad and Asaf.

EXPRESSION OF THANKS

Mr. Oskar Rosenblum, Haifa, hereby expresses his sincere thanks for the attention shown him on the occasion of his 50th birthday.

Mrs. Eva Brock and her family wish to thank all relatives and friends for their expressions of sympathy in their bereavement.

Jacob Landau Dead At Age of Fiftynine

We regret to announce the death of Jacob Landau, founder of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency and the Overseas News Agency, in New York at the age of 59. He had been severely ill for some time last year, but had made a remarkable recovery. Yesterday he collapsed suddenly and died.

Born in Sadagura, Bukovina, in 1892, he came to Vienna as a child and studied there, later attending the Vienna University. During the First World War, he deserted the Austrian army with the aid of Hasidic rabbis and fled to The Hague to work with the Allies. There in 1917 he founded the J.T.A. then known as the Jewish Correspondentie Bureau, the first international Jewish news service based on cabled dispatches from its own correspondents.

After the war the agency was given its present name and headquarters were transferred to London and New York.

Mr. Landau was a co-founder and director of the "Palestine Bulletin," later incorporated into "The Palestine (now Jerusalem) Post." He also founded in 1934 America's only English-language Jewish daily, the "Jewish Daily Bulletin," which was published for some years.

In 1940, he was one of a group who founded the Overseas News Agency. He retired last year because of illness.

Mr. Landau had personal contacts with many government leaders and was an accomplished linguist.

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Economic Planning And Uncontrolled Factors

By Our Economic Correspondent

Although the Knesset only recently concluded a long economic discussion in connection with the last budget, and will have to reopen the debate next month, when the Government has promised to introduce the next budget, nevertheless, a motion for the agenda was introduced last week by Mr. S. Bejerano, of the General Zionists, proposing a discussion of the Government's wages policy. The proposal was voted down, and the Minister of Labour insisted that wages are not to be fixed by the Government and that there was no need for a discussion of the issue.

Consistent Policy

The demand for a debate on wages policy at the present juncture raises a wider issue. **Can a consistent economic policy be evolved by the Government if not all the factors which influence it are taken into account?** The answer must obviously be in the negative. It is impossible to make economic plans, influence economic trends and work towards a certain goal if only part of the forces which are at work in the economic field are taken into account. Through the control of foreign currency, import and export licences and rationing, the Government has at present concentrated considerable powers. Wages, however, are given over to the free interplay of supply and demand. As there is still a big shortage of skilled workers and the policy of full employment has not been abandoned, the trend is toward rising wages. This is the stronger, as workers in this country had become accustomed to a yearly increase during the prosperity of the world war. The question arises of how the Government is going to reconcile this trend — strengthened still more by runaway inflation — with its expressly stated goal that wages should only be raised with increased output.

The wages problem represents indeed only one facet of the general question of how the Government proposes to implement its proclaimed policy of increased output. The slogan must be translated into action in a number of fields. In industry, the Government proposes to push forward with the establishment of proficiency boards, and has announced that, if necessary, legislation to this effect would be introduced in the Knesset. In agriculture, on the other hand, plans for higher incentives are being worked out. That shows that leading Government circles are groping for remedies, sometimes of an economic sometimes of an administrative character. Both may be needed, but they will work only if a comprehensive plan can be drawn up. That phic shortage.

Economic Incentives

It is obvious, too, that such **a plan must aim at the restoration of economic incentives everywhere.** At present these are paralyzed by shortages, inflation and a system of calculated profits which put both the Government and the consumer at the mercy of the manufacturer and the worker. **A discussion on wages should raise the intricate problem of how far they conform today to the output of the economy as a whole and to its various branches.**

This discussion should be part of a general probing into the workings of our economy. If this is done, there is hope that sooner or later an overall plan will emerge. The proposal of Mr. Bejerano should be taken up as soon as the next budget debate starts. It will, however, yield results only if the wornout tracks of party politics give way to genuine and objective reasoning.

Non-Zionists To Work with Agency

By MAURICE CARR

PARIS, Thursday. — Extreme leftwing non-Zionist organizations in France which, on the initiative of the Yiddish daily "Nele Presse" are collecting winter wear for the flood victims of Israel, have agreed, after prolonged negotiations, to collaborate with the Jewish Agency.

In return for recognition of the Jewish Agency's supremacy as the intermediary between the Galut and Israel, non-Zionists have received permission to send a delegation to Israel, with a watching brief in connection with the distribution of clothes. The desire to aid Israel in other ways has been expressed by many leaders of the Yiddish-speaking non-Zionists who are admittedly the strongest and best organized element of French Jewry.

Fifty tons of clothing have been collected so far in France, Belgium and Switzerland by the Zionist Federation.

Sabena Airlines have announced their readiness to transport five tons free of cost.

Mr. Zvi Herman, Head of the Organization Department of the Jewish Agency, met Zionist leaders from France, Belgium, Holland, Britain, Italy, Scandinavia and Switzerland here on Tuesday to discuss the future role of the Zionist Federations of those countries. Back from a tour of the U.S., Mr. Herman declared that there is no hope of any substantial immigration from America, and that, in the near future, Israel must look towards Europe for vital professional and technical immigrants.

After fund-raising, the promotion of this "Aliya" was the European Zionists' principal task, he said. The Zionist leaders had painted a gloomy picture of conditions in continental Europe—90 per cent of the youth are non-Zionist, and unless the drift away from Jewishness is arrested, the Zionist movement is practically doomed to extinction within a decade or two.

(Jewish Chronicle Service)

Religious Services

Shabbat begins in Jerusalem at 4.36 p.m. today and ends at 5.50 p.m. tomorrow

Yeshurun Synagogue: Tonight: 5.10 p.m.; Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8 a.m.; Minha, 12.45 & 4.50 p.m. Arvit, 5.45 p.m.

Emet V'Emuna (Gan Rehavia): Tonight: 5.00 p.m.; Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 a.m. Sermon: Dr. Philipp.

Jerusalem Baptists Congregation: Opp. Gan Rehavia, Bible study, 10 a.m. Hebrew Service and Lecture, 8 p.m.

TEL AVIV

Beth Israel (96 Dizengoff Road). Tonight: 5.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 a.m.

Ihud Shivat Zion (67 Ben Yehuda St.): Tonight: Minha, 4.50 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 6.30 a.m. and 8.15 a.m.; Minha: 12.30 & 4.50 p.m.

Ihud Shivat Zion (14 Balfour St.): Tonight: Minha, 4.50 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8 a.m., Minha, 4.50 p.m.

HAIFA

Beth Israel (Pevsner House): Tonight: Minha, 4.40 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 a.m.

Beth Israel (Mt. Carmel): Tonight: Minha, 4.40 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 a.m., Arvit, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

JERUSALEM

English Mission Hospital Chapel — Anglican-Episcopalian (next to Hadassah A) E.S. 6.30 p.m. H.C. 7.30 p.m. Preacher: Canon H.R.A. Jones.

St. Andrew's (Scots Memorial Church): M.S. 10 a.m. E.S. 6 p.m. (Rev. James Barr, B.D.).

Zion Christian Mission (Prophets St., near Rav Kook St.): Sunday, Combined Service at Y.M.C.A. 7.30 p.m. Rev. Wm. L. Hull.

Combined Evangelical Services (Y.M.C.A. Lecture Hall): 7.30 p.m. All welcome.

Catholic: 6 a.m. (German Hospice Chapel): Languages: German, Italian, English, French; 7 a.m. Terra Sancta Chapel: Languages: English, French, German, Italian, St. Pierre de Sion (Ratisbonne): Languages: French, Arabic, English, German, Hungarian, Hebrew, Portuguese; 8 a.m.: German Hospice Chapel; 9 a.m. Jesuits' Chapel (near King David Hotel): Languages: French, Polish, English, Italian, German, 9 a.m. St. Pierre de Sion, 10 a.m. Terra Sancta College.

American Gospel Church (Prophets St., near Bikur Holim): Morning Worship, 11 p.m.; Midweek Prayers: Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. Minister: M.G. Griebenow.

Bible Evangelistic Mission Assemblies of God, Mamilah Road, corner King George: Sunday: 11 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. Wednesday & Friday, 7.30 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. & 7.30 p.m.: (Rev. L.T. Pearson).

Y.M.C.A. Christian Fellowship: Vesper Service 6.00 p.m. All welcome.

TEL AVIV & JAFFA

Anglican Church (Episcopal) (in the Church in the former German Colony off 19 Eilat St.): H.C., 7.30 a.m.; M.S., 10 a.m. E.S. 7 p.m. Rev. R.G. Allison, P.O.B. 2773.

St. Peter's Church (Presbyterian), Street 4: E.S. 7 p.m. Rev. W.B. Miller.

HAIFA

St. Luke's Church: Mountain Rd. near Vine St. (Anglican Protestant Episcopal): H.C. 7.30 a.m., M.S. 10 a.m.: Rev. E.T. Allen (P.O.B. 1797).

Scandinavian Seamen's Church (41 Hospital St., P.O.B. 1305), Rev. Peter Faye Hansen: Lutheran Services in Scandinavian, German & English: E.S. 7 p.m. Tuesday: Bible Study, 8 p.m.

NAZARETH

Nazareth Baptist Church (near Mary's Well, Tiberias Rd.): M.S. 11 a.m.; E.S. 6.30 p.m. Thursday: Bible Study 6.30 p.m. D.L. Baker, P.O.B. 30.

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Church of Scotland: Saturday: 3 p.m.; Sunday: M.S. 11 a.m. Rev. Scott-Morrison.

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Kfar Ata, January 31, 1952.

From Yesterday's Press

Seed Potatoes And Black Market

"Davar" (Histadrut) reports that the Ministry of Agriculture has distributed 6,000 tons of seed potatoes, but adds that several agricultural settlements may not receive their share. If all settlements abide by their written obligations, the public will receive enough potatoes this year. It must be feared, however, that some of them will use the seed potatoes for different purposes, as in the past, resulting in a catastrophic shortage of potatoes.

According to the contracts signed by the settlements, they will be liable to a fine of IL.150 for every misused ton of seed potatoes. Rumours have it, however, that some speculators are prepared to pay the fine in advance, if the settlements sell them the potatoes for the black market, "Davar" reports. Every settlement guilty of this should be deprived of any form of assistance, the paper demands, stressing the need, in time of emergency, for such stringent measures.

"Haboker" (General Zionist), refutes the accusation that the General Zionists "are against agricultural settlement and belittle its importance". The paper says that unfortunately party ideology has permeated agricultural settlement, too. The General Zionists, when encouraging their members and sympathizers to settle on the land, have encountered many obstacles. The paper demands that if the party key is to be the decisive factor, the same rights should be accorded to all parties. The General Zionists, however, would welcome the elimination of party politics in this field.

"Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi), comments on the liquidation of the Libyan Jewish community, and says that internal strife and criticism have made us lose the ability to observe developments in a wider perspective, and to attach sufficient importance to our own achievements.

Under the headline: "New revelations by the State Comptroller", "Yediot Aharonot" (afternoon daily), says that a new 165-page report has been issued by the State Comptroller. "Most abuses criticized by the Comptroller have been remedied, but others have not received attention", the paper says in another headline. "Herut" and "Kol Haam" (Communist) reprint the item, omitting, however, the sections favourable to the Government.

EGYPT WARNED ON SUDAN

Egypt would be well advised "to reflect most seriously upon the capacity of the Sudanese, who are a virile and martial race, controlling vast irrigation works upon the upper reaches of the Nile, to cause havoc in Egypt."

This warning was contained in a letter to "The Times" from Sir Harold MacMichael, former High Commissioner for Palestine, who is a recognized authority on the Sudan. He was replying to a correspondent who had referred to the possibility that Egypt might "feel the need, as they would have the strength, to destroy the independent nationhood" of the Sudan.

Sir Harold wrote that "Egypt's assessment of her needs appears to be quite incalculable," but he did not believe that she "would have the strength to crush the Sudanese."

SHIPS IN HAIFA PORT ON THURSDAY

Piast, Pol., loading citrus. **Egyptias**, Br., loading citrus. **Rio Gallegos**, Arg., meat. **Transilvania**, Rum., gen. cargo. **Yaffo**, Is., gen. cargo. **Tamar**, Is., gen. cargo. **Louis Sloss**, U.S., waiting to offload. **Corsair**, Lib., dura. **Nahson**, Is., wood. **Excellency**, U.S., gen. cargo. **Florina**, Gr., wood. **Tufenit**, Is., gen. cargo. **Henrietta Szold**, Is., gen. cargo. **Ragnhild**, Dan., stopped. **Galilah**, Is., being repaired. **Artza**, Is., compl. unloading. **Geuvriel**, Is., being repaired. **San Michele**, It., wheat. **Kavraz**, Tur., bagged cargo.

SHIPS EXPECTED

31.1 **Pirlant**, wood. **Thiekhitus**, coffee, wood. **Hesperus**, wood. **Kuza Tepa**, salt. **Maltam**, salt. **Ramon**, salt.
1.2 **Haifa**, pipes, mail, gen. cargo. **Lauvaulias Valley**, wheat, flour. **Dale Land**, prefab. houses, wood, paper, gen. cargo. **Makefjell**, potatoes, iron, gen. cargo.
2.2 **Prince de Liege**, wood.
4.2 **Ionian C.**, will load citrus.
5.2 **Caterina Madre**, rice, gen. cargo.
7.2 **Spigerburg**, wood. **Kassos**, soya.
10.2 **Maltese Prince**, gen. cargo. **Arabian Prince**, potatoes, gen. cargo.

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Manchester United Top Portsmouth

As a result of the games played Saturday, Manchester United moved to top spot in the English Football League First Division above Portsmouth (who have the same number of points but a worse goal average), Arsenal are third, a point behind, and Newcastle United fourth. Cardiff City took over first place in the promotion race in the Second Division.

RESULTS

ENGLISH LEAGUE: Div. I: Arsenal 2, Man. C. 2; Blackpool 1, Derby C. 1; Bolton W. 1, Burnley 4; Chelsea 0, Wolves 1; Liverpool 1, Aston V. 2; Man. U. 2, Tottenham 9; Middlesbro 2, Huddersf'd 1; Newcastle U. 6, Charlton 0; Portsmouth 0, Sunderland 2; Stoke C. 0, Preston N.E. 0; West Bromwich 0, Fulham 2. **Div. II:** Barns. 2, Swansea 2; Birmingham 1, Everton 2; Blackburn 2, Luton 1; Cardiff 1, S'hampton 0; Hull C. 5, Bury 0; Leeds U. 3, West Ham 1; Leicester 2, Doncaster 1; Notts. F. 2, Brentford 0; Q.P.R. 1, Notts. C. 4; Rotherham 3, Sheff. W. 3; Sheff. U. 1, Coventry C. 2. **Div. III (S):** Aldershot 4, Exeter C. 1; Bournem'th 2, Southend 1; Brighton 1, Reading 0; Bris. R. 1, Plymouth 2; Gillingham 2, N'hampton 1; Ipswich 1, Bris. C. 1; Layton 1, Swindon 0; Millwall 2, Newport 0; Shrewsbury 1, Colchester 0; Torquay 2, Port V. 3; Walsall 3, Crystal P. 0; Watford 1, Norwich 1. **Div. III (N):** Accrington 0, Grimsby T. 3; Bradford C. 0, Hartlep'ls 2; Carlisle 0, Barrow 1; Chester vs. Darlington — postponed; Halifax 0, Bradford 1 (abandoned after 32 mins.); Lincoln C. 1, Gateshd 0; Mansf'd T. 2, Chesterf'd 1; Rochdale 1, Wrexham 5; Scunthorpe 2, Crewe A. 0; Stockpt. 5, Workington 0; Tranmere 5, Southpt. 1; York C. 5, Oldham 0.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Div. A: Aberdeen 3, Hearts 0; Stirling 2, Airdrie 6; St. Mirren 0, Rangers 5. **Div. B:** Arbroath 2, Albion R. 2; Dumbarton 1, Cowdenb'th 5; Dunfermline 4, St. Johnstone 1; Queens Pk. 0, Falkirk 3. **Scottish Cup — 1st. Rnd:** Berwick 7, Peebles 0; Brechen 0, Qun. o Sth. 6; Celtic Tir. Lanark — postponed; Deverandale vs. Clyde post; Dundee 4, Ayr 0; Dunns 1, Allos 2; Emouth 0, E. Fife 4; Forfar 2, Motherwell 4; Inverness 3, Dundee U. 3; Kilmarnock 2, Stenhsemuir 0; Montrose 2, E. Stirlingshire 0; Partick 0, Hamilton Ac 1; Raith R. 0, Hibs. 0.

Ping Pong Trip to India Cancelled

Because of technical difficulties and the lack of foreign currency for trip expenses, the Israel table tennis team, which was due to participate in the World Championships starting February 1 in Bombay, India, has been prevented from leaving and the plans have been cancelled.

Following trials, three men, Y. Finklestein (Maccabi), Sterbartz (Hapoel) and Fineberg (Maccabi), and one woman, Lipuk (Hapoel) were chosen as Israel's representatives.

Toweel Retains World Crown

Vic Toweel, of South Africa, retained his world bantamweight boxing title in Johannesburg on Saturday night, when he defeated Peter Keenan, of Scotland, on points before 27,000 spectators. Keenan was down for a count of two in Round 7 and did a lot of holding during the bout. Only his fighting spirit enabled him to last the distance.

S. Africa Win Golf International

South Africa beat Britain by four to two last Wednesday in their first golf international in Johannesburg. South Africa won both foursomes and Wednesday's 36 holes singles ended in a tie, two-all.

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Six New Hapoel Athletic Records

Six new Hapoel light athletic records were established in the movement's season opening meeting at the Y.M.C.A., Jerusalem, last Saturday.

Over 80 Hapoel athletes participated in a tournament of high standard.

The new records set up were: — 200 *m. Men: D. Tabak (Bet Oved),* 22.6 *secs;* 400 *m. men: A Glick (Tel Aviv)* 50.0 *secs;* 800 *m. men: E. Kreiser (Jerusalem),* 2:02.4 *mins;* 1500 *m. men: Y. Bornstein (Mishmarot),* 4:15.5 *mins; Pole jump men: Y. Mandelbrot (Kiriat Haim),* 3.10 *m;* 300 *m. youth: Y. Frumer (Givat Haim),* 37.7 *secs.*

The previous best of Hapoel were and the current Maccabi "highs" are:—200m: 22.9 (also set up by Tabak) (Hap), 22.8 (Macc); 400m: 50.9 (H) 50.6; 800m: 2:04.2 (H) 2:02.0 (M); 1500m: 4:22.8 (H) 4:16.2 (M); Pole jump: 3.07m. (H).

Thus three of the records—in the 200m., 400m. and 1,500m. are also new Israel records.

The other results at the meeting were: **Men: 100m:** 1. D. Tabak, 11.1 secs; 5000m: 1. Asolin (Affula), who pulled the surprise of the meet in beating the long distance star, Amrani, by 0.2 secs. to clock 16:52.0; **High jump:** 1. Koblants (T.A.), 1.70m; **Long jump:** 1. Nir (Emek Israel), 6.70m; **Hop, step and jump:** 1. Silberstein (Harel), 12.18 m; **Shotput:** 1. Mandelbrot, 12.52m; **Discus throw:** 1. Mandelbrot, 32.00m. **Women: 100m:** 1. Lea Horowitz (Kiryat Haim), 13.8secs; **High jump:** 1. Lea Horowitz, 1.45m; **Discus throw:** 1. Atara Polonski (Kfar Haim), 33.36m; **Shotput:** 1. Atara Polonski, 10.0m. **Youths: 100m:** 1. Nitzan (T.A.), 11.7 secs; **300m:** 1. Frumer (new record), 2. Nitzan, 37.8 secs; **1500m:** 1. Reuven Cohen (Jerusalem), 2:57.4 mins; **Shotput:** 1. A. Carmeli (Kfar Masaryk), 13.33m

(M.F.-A.K.)

Gambasch Sent Off In Cup Game

Yaacov Gambasch of Tel Aviv Betar was sent off the field during the Israel Football Association cup tie in which his side suffered a surprise loss at Haifa to the local Hapoel by 3-1.

League B Ramat Gan Maccabi served up the biggest upset when they defeated League A Haifa Maccabi 2-1 after extra time. Three games were postponed as players from Tel Aviv's Hapoel and Maccabi sides, and Petah Tikva Hapoel loaned players to the Military XI now touring Cyprus.

I.F.A. CUP

(Results given Sunday)

Corrections: Jaffa Macc. 6, Beersh. Hap. 0 (2-0); Zichron Hap. 1, H'fa Hak. 0. **Other week-end results: Youth League:** Hadera Hap. 2, Hadera Macc. 0; Ekron Macc. 0, Rehovot Hap. 4 (0-2). **Friendlies.** Nathanya Macc. Baruch 4, T.A. Gadna Yaacov 2; Nathanya Macc. Kedma 2, T.A. Gadna Nissim 1.

FOURTH MACCABIA IN MAY

The Fourth Maccabia will be held from May 10 to 18, it was decided recently.

Jerusalem Cinemas

Saturday at 6.15 & 8.15

ARNON: Annie Get Your Gun, Today at 2.30 p.m.: Black Arrow. **EDEN:** The Citadel. Today at 2.45 p.m.: Three Guys Named Mike. **EDISON:** Outpost in Morocco Today at 2.30 p.m.: The Elusive Pimpernel. **ORION.** Three Secrets. Today at 2.45 p.m.: I'll Get By. **SEMADAR:** Riso Amaro (Bitter Rice) 5, 7 & 9 p.m. **STUDIO:** Possessed. Today at 2.30 p.m.: June Bride. **Y.M.C.A.:** Gentleman's Agreement (6.30 p.m.). Also today at 3 p.m. **ZION:** Samson and Delilah.

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Application forms for the renewal of such passes are obtainable during ordinary working hours at the Port Offices, Permit Section, and at the Information Office in front of the main entrance to the port. Special arrangements have been made for the renewal of entry passes by companies and institutions holding a large number of passes, and such companies and institutions should proceed in accordance with the special instructions that have been mailed to them directly.

PORT OF HAIFA AUTHORITY.
Ministry of Transport & Communications.

To Taxi Drivers

The Ministry of Communications — Controller of Road Transport — announces:

The filing of applications with regard to change of taxi ownership will be suspended as from publication of this notice.

Any taxi driver wishing to stop work in public transport services, should inform the office of the Controller of Road Transport, whereupon he can receive a permit for the sale of his vehicle, or the transfer of its registration from taxi to private car.

The right of taxi driving is not transferable.

To Owners of Vehicles

The Ministry of Communications — Controller of Road Transport announces:

All owners of vehicles are obliged, in accordance with the Transport Regulations, to submit notification of any change in ownership of the vehicles within 14 days of the change to the Licensing Offices.

Non-compliance with the above will render the offender liable to legal proceedings.

Number Plates

The use of aluminium number plates is permissible only if the plates and all figures and letters on same are painted in the colour determined for the class of vehicle.

No area of the number plates should be left unpainted.

Where to Go

JERUSALEM

8-1: Jewish National Fund Jubilee Exhibition "A People and its Land"; Artists House.
8-4 (Also tomorrow): Jerusalem Biblical Zoo; Romema. Bus 2A. Feeding time: 2-3 p.m.
9-1 (tomorrow 10-1): Archaeological Exhibition; Dept. of Antiquities; 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.
10-5: (also tomorrow) Sanhedria Tombs.
11.30-12.30: Film Shows of Israel, Keren Hayesod Head Office.

TEL AVIV

10-1 (also tomorrow): Exhibition of paintings and pastels of Blanka Tauber and sculpture by Kosso Eloul; Also Swiss Posters, Tel Aviv Museum.

HAIFA

8 a.m.-5.30 p.m.: Theological and Scientific Library—Central Synagogue Bldg., Rehov Gilad.

TOMORROW

JERUSALEM

11 a.m.: Opening of Retrospective Exhibition of Paintings by Max W. Arnold. Also Exhibit of the Month: Drawing by A. Modigliani. Bezalel Museum.

TEL AVIV

6.30 & 9 p.m.: "The Glass Menagerie"; Chamber Theatre: Mograbi Hall.
7 & 9.30 p.m.: George Val presents "Li-La-Lo News" by Lica Grunberg: Jascha Heifetz Hall.
7 & 9 p.m.: Mozart, Clarinet Quintet; Beethoven: String Quartet Op. 59/3; Museum.

HAIFA

11.30 a.m., 6 & 8 p.m.: Conducted tours; paintings and sculptures by Haifa artists; Municipal Museum, Town Hall.

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8.30 p.m.: Pearl Primus and her group; Hof Hall.

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Ministry of Justice: Notice 12/Mem — Assistant Deputies to the State Attorney, Attorney General, Various towns, Grade 4 (Yud-Aleph). Chief Assistant to the State Attorney, Attorney General, Various towns, Grade 5 (Yud). Assistant to the State Attorney, Attorney General, Various towns, Grade 6 (Tet).

Ministry of Foreign Affairs: Notice 2/Alef, Manager of Economic Division, Economic Division, Hakirya, Tel Aviv, Grade 3 (Yud-Bet).

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Tourist Guide Examinations March 1952

Examinations for Tourist Guide Licences will be held in March 1952.

All persons interested should apply in writing, before March 1, 1952 to: Tourist Dept., Rehov Bet, House No. 7, Hakirya.

Applications arriving after the above date will not be considered.

TOURIST DEPARTMENT

U.S.A. Scholarships For Teachers

The United States Government is offering scholarships to four Israel teachers working in Israel elementary, secondary or vocational schools, or as English teachers. All the scholarships include fares, cost of living; and all other expenses necessary for a six month stay in the United States, starting from the beginning of September 1952 (English teachers will start at the beginning of June, 1952).

Candidates must be less than 40 years of age, with excellent knowledge of English, at least three years teaching experience in Israel, and a total of at least five years teaching experience.

Applications must be submitted in writing, before February 10, 1952, to the office of the Director General of the Ministry of Education and Culture, Jerusalem. Persons considered worthy will then receive official application forms, which they will be asked to complete and return to the Ministry of Education and Culture.

The Israel Committee is composed of representatives of the United States Embassy, the Hebrew University and the Ministry of Education and Culture. It will select eight candidates, whose names will be sent to the United States; where four candidates will be chosen to receive the scholarships.

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Police Raid Major Black Market Meat Source in Northern Israel

HAIFA, Thursday. — A major source of black market meat for northern Israel was dried up when the Control Branch made a surprise sweep on a slaughterhouse near Shafr Am, in Western Galilee, yesterday morning. Sixty men took part in the operation, among them 20 armed policemen and ten Technion students who fought in the area during the War and were familiar with the terrain.

Vast quantities of bones were found in the spacious slaughterhouse, a sign that the butchers had been busy during the past few months. Documents discovered on the spot indicated that the monthly turnover was about 55 tons of meat—350 cows and camels. Some of the animals were sick, it was found.

The cattle were brought across the border in herds of 300-500 head at a time and paid for in Iraqi dinars or dollars. The herds were driven 10 kilometres into Israel when they were split into smaller groups. Jewish wholesale butchers paid IL.250 for each head of cattle which provided about 90 to 100 kilograms of meat which was *kasher*.

Seized on the spot were a freshly slaughtered camel and an ox. Six Arabs and two Jews were detained.

During the past three weeks, police investigations have pointed to Western Galilee as a source of black market meat. A building at Kafr Irweis, situated atop a hill and overlooking the entire area, was thought to be the slaughterhouse. Its "staff" was reported to be armed for any emergency. A shepherd tending a flock served as the lookout.

The force of the Northern Control Branch left the Shafr Am Police Training Depot at 8.30 a.m. in an Egged bus in order not to arouse suspicion. When they approached the area, they split up into four platoons and cordoned off the hill. As one platoon moved into sight of the shepherd-lookout, he sounded an alarm and eight men, leaving behind documents, made off, but into the arms of the other platoons. The leader, an Arab by the name of Hassan, managed to slip away. A herd of cattle stampeded and could not be rounded up.

Six Arab wholesalers headed the organization whose largest customers were Jews. About 30 Arabs acted as distributors.

Black Market Haul At Carmel Market

About seven and a half tons of vegetables, fruits, tinned meat and apples, and 7,500 bars of chocolate, were seized in a surprise raid on the Carmel Market in Tel Aviv yesterday morning when Food Inspectors, aided by police, cordoned off the market.

Some of those arrested resisted the police. Some 30 persons are being detained.

All perishable commodities were sold immediately at official prices, and the others confiscated.

Less Rations Issued Than Allotted

The Sick Rations Department of the Tel Aviv Municipality allocated less additional rations to ill persons in December than the Ministry of Commerce issued to it for that purpose, a Ministry spokesman declared in Jerusalem yesterday.

The Department has recently turned down a large number of requests for sick rations because of cuts in food allocations.

Food items issued in December by the Ministry included 270,000 eggs while the Municipality distributed only 173,000, the spokesman declared. The Ministry also allocated 2.2 tons of butter and 3.8 tons of rice, as against only 2.2 ton of butter and only 182 kilograms of rice distributed.

The spokesman also denied reports that the Ministry issued orders to limit the number of recipients of sick rations to four per cent of the population, but confirmed that the Ministry had asked the Medical Association to check strictly all applications for such rations.

60% of Local Budgets For Education

RISHON LE'ZION, Thursday.—The total annual budget of all local authorities was now IL.30m, of which some 60 per cent was for education services, Mr. R. Scheffer, head of the Audit and Advisory Department of the Ministry of the Interior, said here today at a conference of treasurers of the 111 Local Councils and Municipalities throughout the country. The Government contributes 27 per cent of the total budget.

Mr. Scheffer revealed that the total debt of the local authorities was now IL.21m. Mr. A. Rosenbloom, Director General of the Interior Ministry, said that this big debt was not a cause for alarm. He forecast changes in the system of local rates for the year 1952-3. Local rates and taxes, he said, were low in comparison with the services rendered, and amounted to an average of IL.12 a person annually.

Speakers during the general debate this afternoon complained that the average taxes were too high, and were paid by only part of the population. Other speakers suggested that the Government's share was too small, and that the present contribution covered only the rates for Government-owned property in the various areas.

JUDGES MEET IN J'LEM

The judges' attitude to the recent Knesset statement of the Minister of Justice, Dr. Dov Joseph, was discussed in Jerusalem yesterday by representatives of District Court judges from all over the country.

It is understood that the decisions taken by the Tel Aviv judges were contained in a letter to the President of the Supreme Court. Supreme Court Justices also met to discuss the matter. The decisions are not known.

Book Imports Have High Priority

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The import of books will not be suspended as books are high on the Government's priority list, Mr. Y. Weinberg, Controller of Foreign Exchange, told a delegation of the Booksellers' Association at Hakirya today.

He refused, however, to make any definite promises, as the matter of books is dependent on the general economic policy which is at present under discussion by the Cabinet. No allocations of foreign currency for book imports have been made since last September.

Journalists Appeal To Government

The Jerusalem Journalists Association at its annual meeting yesterday appealed to the Government urging the authorities to secure ample newsprint to guarantee the "continued normal existence of newspapers which serve as an instrument of public expression."

The message warned that "every restriction is liable to damage the democratic freedom of expression."

Coalition Changes At Standstill

POST Reporter

Attempts to form a new Municipal Council coalition in Jerusalem have reached a standstill, it was learned yesterday.

Negotiations between Mayor S. Z. Shragai and various political party leaders have practically halted as a result of the refusal of Deputy Mayor E. Eliashar (General Zionist) to resign from his post to make it possible for Mr. R. Shari (Mapai) to assume the office. This move would have permitted the removal of Deputy Mayor M. Rubin (Herut) from his post by a no-confidence vote, which is the Mayor's primary aim, since Mr. Rubin has been in opposition to some of the Mayor's basic policies.

In refusing to resign from office it is known that Mr. Eliashar has opposed some of his own party's leaders. The latter reportedly were willing to have Mr. A. Amdur (General Zionist) replace Mr. Rubin in an effort to draw Mapai into the coalition. But this plan has apparently fallen through, Mr. Eliashar's opposition prevailing over the General Zionist leadership.

It is now believed that the present coalition will continue to function with Mr. Rubin to be in the opposition whenever he so wishes. The other Herut Councillor, Mr. A. Yosha, will support the Mayor's right-wing coalition. This line-up would again give the coalition a majority. The Mayor reportedly has not abandoned hopes of reforming his coalition and may try to work out a new compromise aimed at drawing in Mapai.

Woman Guilty Of Infanticide

TEL AVIV, Thursday (ITIM).—Lea Grossman, 23, of Kibbutz Ayal, was judged guilty of killing her day-old baby but was found to be mentally unbalanced by the District Court here today.

She was remanded in the care of the Be'er Ya'acov Mental Hospital, following the testimony of the director of the Hospital, Dr. R. Mayer, under whose care she had been during her detention at the hospital.

JAIL TERMS FOR PORT THEFTS

HAIFA, Thursday. — For stealing 139 metres of silk from the Port area on Monday, Meir Fleiss, 22, Alfred Pitoni, 21, and Edward Iserd, 22, were sentenced to nine months' imprisonment by the Magistrate's Court here today.

Police asked for a heavy sentence as thefts in the Port were increasing.

FINES "INSUFFICIENT" FOR CITRUS THEFTS

PETAH TIKVA, Thursday (ITIM). — "The imposition of fines for the theft of citrus fruit, one of Israel's most important industries, is insufficient" Magistrate Y. Treivish said here today when he sentenced Ja'acov Soker, 25, a clerk of Mahane Yehuda near here, to one month's imprisonment for the theft of 20 kilograms of oranges.

Customs Police in Haifa yesterday confiscated five kilograms of gold, 3250 and IL.100 worth of goods believed to have been smuggled.

Political Giants For U.S. Primary

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE, Thursday (Reuter). — Senator Estes Kefauver, General Eisenhower and Senator Robert Taft were entered yesterday for New Hampshire's preferential primary — the nation's first "popularity contest" for those who aspire to be the 34th President of the U.S.

President Truman, whose name was also entered yesterday, announced at his press conference today that he would not be a candidate in the primary, but he emphasized that this would not preclude him from being a candidate later. He spoke confidently of the Democratic Party's willingness to nominate him if he wished it.

Senator Kefauver, crime investigator from Tennessee and the only avowed candidate for the Democratic Presidential nomination, was entered for the Democratic primary in which New Hampshire party members will vote on March 11 for the man they want to see nominated at the Democratic national party convention next July.

Mr. Kefauver

On in the same day, New Hampshire Republicans will give their verdict on Senator Taft's challenge to General Eisenhower in the opening battle for the Republican nomination, also to be made by a national party convention in July. Mr. Harold Stassen has also been entered on the Republican list for the primary.

New Hampshire provides a clear cut method of assessing popular support among the members of each party for aspirants to the Presidency. In its primary — first in the nation — members of each party first elect the delegates who will represent them at the national conventions to select the party nominee. Since the delegates are pledged to support one or another of the candidates, this vote indicates which one the party members favour. In the second or "preferential" part of the ballot the party members vote for one or other of the Presidential candidates.

Senator Taft, former isolationist with a strong following among professional Republican politicians, decided today to challenge General Eisenhower directly in the New Hampshire preferential primary. The Senator said he would not withdraw his name, entered by his supporters, although the political machine of the present state administration is openly pledged to General Eisenhower.

SHRAGAI TO N.Y.

Mr. S. Z. Shragai, Mayor of Jerusalem, will leave for the U.S. at the end of February to participate in a conference of the presidents of Communities and Jewish Organizations on the occasion of the 3,000th anniversary of Jerusalem.

The Jewish National Fund Exhibition, "A people and its Land" at the Artists' House in Jerusalem will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. daily. Admission is free on Saturday

Argentina's First Meat Ration

BUENOS AIRES, Thursday (Reuter). — Argentina — one of the biggest meat exporters — yesterday began rationing meat for the first time. As a result of a resolution by the Ministry of Industry and Commerce restaurants and hotels throughout the country will observe one meatless day a week.

Because of crop failures due to drought, Argentina is anxious to export as much meat as she can to ensure adequate sterling earnings to cover the cost of essential coal and petroleum imports. According to recent figures published in London, Argentinians have been eating 240 lbs. of meat a head a year as against 216 in Australia, 145 in the U.S. and 74 in Britain.

Two U.S. Officials Tour Sudan

CAIRO, Thursday (AP). — Two U.S. State Department officials today wound up a three-weeks fact-finding trip in the Sudan.

Their reports may play an important part in a solution to the Egyptian crisis. Some observers here believe the crux of the Anglo-Egyptian dispute is whether Britain is willing to recognize Farouk as King of Sudan.

The two U.S. diplomats, who travelled thousands of miles through the Sudan in what they described as an "informational" trip, are Mr. Gordon Mattison, Counsellor and Number Two man in the Cairo Embassy, and Mr. Wells Stabler, formerly vice-Consul in Jerusalem and now in charge of the Egypt-Sudan desk in the State Department.

Mr. Mattison returned today and Mr. Stabler is expected in Cairo tomorrow or Saturday. The two travelled by plane, train and car through the vast area extending southward into Central Africa.

It was the first time in three years that U.S. diplomatic representatives had visited Sudan.

Some Egyptian newspapers said that the British-run administration had put an "iron curtain" around the two Americans and permitted them to see only those whom the British wanted them to see. Mr. Mattison said, however, that he and Mr. Stabler had talked to various political leaders.

(See Michael Letter, — Page 2)

Canada Stops 5 Planes Ordered by Egypt

TORONTO, Thursday (Reuter). —Canada had refused to grant permission for the export of five elementary training planes ordered by Egypt, the Toronto "Globe and Mail" said today.

The newspaper said that Ottawa policy "has generally been to watch all exports to any area of possible international conflagration and under no circumstances to allow export of arms to such areas."

Bonn Raids on Nazis And Communists

BONN, Thursday (Reuter). — West German police "mopped up" tonight after a day-long surprise raid on over 100 offices and homes of members of the Communist and neo-Nazi parties throughout West Germany.

The raid began at dawn and, by midday, lorries loaded with Communist and neo-Nazi documents, leaflets, correspondence and secret archives were on their way to the Office for the Protecton of the Constitution, at Cologne.

No resistance was reported. Police officials warned that opposition would be punished by prison sentences of not less than six months. The raid was ordered by the Constitution Court which is handling a Government claim of illegality against the two parties. The documents collected will be forwarded later to the Court's headquarters at Karlsruhe.

Ritter Von Lex, Secretary of State in the West German Ministry of the Interior said the Court had ordered house searches to be made only in the case of Socialist Reich Party officials as most of these had their offices at home.

Houses searched, included that of former General Otto Ernst Remer, a leader of the Socialist Reich Party (SRP). He is in prison for slander. Documents confiscated included cheque books and balance sheets of both parties.

Germans Must Enforce Unity—Grotewohl

BERLIN, Thursday (Reuter). — Premier Otto Grotewohl of the East German Republic yesterday called upon the German people to "make all efforts to enforce the peaceful and democratic reunification of Germany." Speaking to workers in an East Berlin factory, he said if there were general, equal, free and direct elections in all Germany the West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer would fall.

"And with the fall of Adenauer the rule of the Americans, who have drawn West Germany into their war preparations and into debts, will also end because then there will be a peace treaty with subsequent withdrawal of all occupation forces," he said.

"Adenauer's general treaty will not be carried out, the Schuman Plan will be wrecked and so will the Pleven Plan. Then, at last, the German people can breathe freely and turn towards a peaceful future," he exclaimed.

The three Western Foreign Ministers, who according to reports yesterday, are to meet in London in a fortnight for joint discussions, are believed to be planning a meeting there with Adenauer, at which Germany's role in Western defence is to be discussed.

APPROVAL. — The Foreign Affairs Committee of the Belgian Senate yesterday approved a bill providing for the admission of Turkey and Greece into NATO.

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Cables in Brief

FIRE. — A man and a boy were reported burned to death and several children missing in a fierce bush fire which yesterday swept through the tiny town of Barnawartha, along the New South Wales-Victoria border.

CREDENTIALS. — The new British Ambassador to Ethiopia, Mr. Douglas L. Busk, presented his credentials to the Emperor yesterday.

ABSTINENCE. — The Vatican, in an official statement on Wednesday, reminded Catholics that the Church law on abstinence and fasting suspended during the War, has again been partly in force during the last three years.

TOUR. — Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh left by air yesterday for a five months tour of Kenya, Ceylon, Australia and New Zealand.

SENTENCE. — Sweden's most secret trial since the war — so hush-hush that no one even knows the names of the accused or the charges — ended yesterday with jail sentences for three people.

PROTEST. — The U.S. on Wednesday told the U.N. Social Committee that Americans would never stop protesting against the use of William Oatis, jailed newspaper correspondent, as a "pawn in the suppression of freedom in Czechoslovakia."

DEPARTURE. — General Sir Gerald Templer will leave London by air next Tuesday to assume his new post of High Commissioner for Malaya, the Colonial Office announced yesterday.

ARRIVAL. — Admiral Lynde D. McCormack, new Allied Naval Commander in the Atlantic, arrived in Washington yesterday to receive "initial instructions."

NAZIS. — Some 30 Danish Nazis, meeting secretly on Wednesday in a wealthy suburb of Copenhagen decided to revive the newspaper "Ekstrabladet."

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Nathanya	61	10	21	23
Tel Aviv Port	64	10	20	23
Lydda Airport	53	9	23	26
Jerusalem	56	10	18	20
Beersheba	62	10	31	25

Forecast: Generally cloudy with occasional light rain, fresh to strong easterly to southeasterly winds, rising sands in the Negev.

Outlook for Shabbat: Partly cloudy to fair.

*A) Humidity at 3 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maxim. temp. expected today.

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1,204,804 crates of citrus fruit were shipped abroad by Tuesday, 1,160,101 through Haifa and 44,795 through Jaffa, the Citrus Marketing Board has announced.

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Increases of between 25 and 50 per cent in postal rates become effective today... **Post cards** for inland use at 15 pruta and for abroad at 20 pruta will go on sale at all post offices today.

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Only four or five Indian families will remain in Beersheba after some 30 families return to India during the next fortnight.

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All persons who have borrowed English books from the Tel Aviv Municipal Library have been asked to return them within 10 days to facilitate the library's reorganization.

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Charged with fishing with explosives off the Tel Aviv coast, two 17 year old boys were detained in Tel Aviv yesterday and later released on bail.

KEROSENE SHORT IN BEERSHEBA

BEERSHEBA, Thursday (ITIM). — The kerosene shortage here during the past week has caused serious hardship, especially in the new town where there is as yet no electricity. Supplies are not expected before beginning of next week. Residents look forward to cold meals over the weekend and long queues for kerosene next week.

A milk shortage is also being felt here, as Tnuva recently cut supplies to Beersheba by 15,000 litres a month.

In Bat Yam, where a kerosene shortage is also being experienced, the Local Council is planning to fix a weekly ration for each family.

(See Working Week, p.4)

BAKERY LOCKOUT THREATENED

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — Following a strike in the Degania bakery here today, the Bakery Owners Association this afternoon warned the Histadrut Executive that they would lock out all bakeries if the workers did not return to work before Saturday.

The parties were today summoned by the District Labour Relations Officer, who proposed mediation. Both sides promised to give their answer tomorrow.

BREAD PRICE UP

The price of standard bread will be raised five pruta on Sunday and will sell for 60 pruta in Tel Aviv and Haifa and for 58 pruta elsewhere, it was announced yesterday.

Other price increases are: white bread, 100 pruta, a five pruta rise, regular halot, 79 pruta, braided halot, 82 pruta. The price of flour will be increased to 120 pruta per kilogram and semolina to 125 pruta a kilogram.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM: Bananas: 250 grams. Yud 16, visitors 49, infants and expectant mothers, 1 kilo, 28, zones 1-5 and 8.
TEL AVIV. Eggs: 4, Zayin 7.

'MEDIATOR' AT EIN HAROD

TEL AVIV, Thursday.—Orange picking at Ein Harod is expected to be resumed on Sunday, following the despatch today of a "mediator" by the Settlement Department of the Agricultural Workers' Union.

Picking was discontinued on Monday, after a dispute between Mapai and Mapam members over the number of adherents of each party to be allowed to work in the grove.

Taxi Driver Smashes Into Wall

TEL AVIV, Thursday (ITIM). — A taxi driver drove his car into a wall, injuring himself and losing consciousness, when he lost control of the vehicle after a pedestrian threw a stone at him here today.

The incident occurred when the driver, Ephraim Treibush, almost hit a pedestrian on the Givat Aliya road. The latter called the driver a "donkey," whereupon the driver slapped his face and started driving away. Police are looking for the pedestrian.

JUMPS OFF BUS, INJURED

TEL AVIV, Thursday (ITIM). — Shoshana Peretz, 19, of Ramle, was taken to Sarafand Hospital with severe injuries sustained after she jumped off a moving Egged bus in Rehov Tchlenov here today. Her condition was described as serious.

Mr. Y. Hirshmeller, who was severely injured on the Jerusalem road this morning when he was hit by a taxi, was also taken to Sarafand Hospital.

PE'ER HEARING POSTPONED

TEL AVIV, Thursday (ITIM). — The preliminary investigation of Gershon Pe'er, charged with the robbery of the Feuchtwanger Bank on January 12, was again postponed indefinitely today. This followed instructions telegraphed from the Acre Mental Home.

Personal Notices

A. ZEHNGEBOT and EDITH (nee Gluecksmann)
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at the Assutah Hospital, Tel Aviv, on January 29, 1952.

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Married

The coffin of the late
Dr. JACOB HELMAN
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IN time of national emergency every man, rich or poor, must bear arms, and may not buy his way out, except in such countries as Egypt, where money rules, and not man.

FOOD FRONT

Similarly in time of economic emergency, every man must be given his chance to buy the food that is his share of the national larder, free of the competition of the rich. Except for the small proportion of people with unlimited funds, rationing is a boon that assures a small minimum of the valuable foodstuffs. No-one, who lived in Jerusalem during the siege and remembers the day when rationing meant precious almost forgotten commodities back in the empty shops for all to buy is likely to forget this fact. It is a system that the public should defend as it would defend its life against robbers, and that it would miss most desperately were it to be abolished. And it must be defended by the public if it is to survive, for after a long period of shortages the profits in the black market are high. Even such excellent and well-planned police work as the catching of the meat ring in the North cannot alone stop a racket that suppressed in one place will spring up again in another like mushrooms in a field, like poisonous toadstools.

There is not, today, a disciplined, united population in Israel. It is not only the state that is being built but the nation itself, of shreds and of remnants, of those knowing that there is a future and of those merely escaping from an oppressive past. The best of rations will not serve this nation once it has been thoroughly demoralized by the steady black-market traffic from oriental **ma'barot** to South East European suburb as is so graphically described in an article on another page of this issue; and it is a profoundly convincing argument that superhuman efforts are not being made to supply rations to the **ma'barot** in order that their inhabitants shall live in idleness by selling them to the town-dwellers. This not only robs their children of nourishment, which is a crime in itself, but robs the state of labour, and creates one class living on the dole and another that loses all respect for a law that is so sketchily applied.

To buy and sell rationed goods at inflated prices is punishable by law and should be so punished; perhaps deprivation of rations for those who sell them habitually would be the fitting retribution. Rations should be more elastic and offer the alternatives that a mixed population requires. Oriental Jews who do not use margarine should receive oil, those who do not use potatoes should receive flour. Whatever the technical difficulties involved they do not weigh heavily against the corruption that is setting in under the present system, and that will not easily be eradicated. No one would wish for an OGPU to terrorize a people and swallow a state, but it would be well if every citizen of this country were at all times prepared to say what he does for a living, and what he contributes to the nation's labour and production pool.

Economically, Israel is still a citadel besieged and it cannot afford to stand by and watch smuggling, corruption and idleness become part of the fabric of everyday life. This matter has assumed the proportions of defence on the home front, and it may be that Mr. Govrin in the recent budget debate was not far off the mark in saying that even ordinary defence needs must not rank before the basic food needs. When these are distributed regularly and punctually, strong measures can be successfully taken against the smugglers, the black-marketeers and those who sell their rations.

Labour Protest King's Stay with Malan

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — Six Labour members of the House of Commons today criticised the intention of the King to stay at the official residence of Prime Minister Malan, during his visit to South Africa.

They suggested Parliament should ask the King to consider "the distress caused to many of his subjects by the decision."

Among those protesting are Mr. Michael Stewart, former Under-Secretary for War. No date for the discussion of their motion in Parliament has been fixed.

THE WORKING WEEK — By S. Eliahu

Moves Against Marauders

ARMY units cordoned off the area of Jerusalem's Mandelbaum Gate yesterday. But people living in the top flats of neighbouring houses could see the three Arabs coming from the Jordan side of the border, escorted by officers and soldiers of the Arab Legion and by Jordan officials.

Inside the headquarters of the Mixed Armistice Commission Sgan Aluf Shaul Ramati, head of the Israel delegation, and other Army officers were already waiting to interrogate the three men, charged with crossing the frontier into Israel and attacking and murdering a 18-year-old girl at Malha, near Jerusalem.

This meeting marks an important development in the fight against infiltration. For the fact that Jordan was prepared to bring the suspects before the MAC for investigation showed that the Amman government is at last taking serious steps to improve border security. This was in no small measure thanks to the efficiency of the Israel security forces.

Recent attacks of infiltrators were becoming increasingly violent, and the Israel authorities were beginning to consider more drastic defensive measures. Army sources say that during the past year there were at least 3,000 marauding incidents in Israel, in which more than 100 infiltrators, 12 Israel soldiers and scores of Israel citizens were killed. The value of property stolen by infiltrators during the last three months of 1951 was estimated at IL.750,000.

Discussions of this critical situation at informal meetings between the Israel and Jordan delegates to the MAC produced an agreement about measures against infiltration to be taken by both sides. The measures went into effect yesterday for a two weeks trial period. They include daily meetings between local commanders on both sides of the border and other measures not to be published during the trial period. While the steps appeared less drastic than many thought necessary, it was believed that Israel wanted once again to show her good-will by persuading Jordan to cooperate in the fight against illegal border crossings.

News Ration

News joined the list of rationed goods last week, when papers appeared in two-page format instead of four. There was no doubt that lack of hard currency was the reason for the newsprint shortage but nevertheless some newspaper readers could not divorce it from the government's unfriendly attitude to the press.

The Minister of Commerce and Industry has, however, made it quite clear that his own criticism of some things that appear in the papers have not in any way influenced his efforts to obtain newsprint supplies. He promised that every effort would be made to get newsprint so that there would be no interruption in the appearance of the papers.

A promise to allocate IL.17,000 in foreign currency this month for the import of books, was referred to this week at a joint meeting of representatives of the Israel Medical Association, the Foreign Book Trade Association, the Hebrew University and the Students' Organization. The money has not yet been allocated, and the sum of half a million pounds which is needed to supply the book-starved population this year, has been requested from the Ministry of Education and Culture which is the Competent Authority for books and periodicals. During the first nine months of last year, IL.17,000 pounds a month were allotted for the import of books and periodicals, but no allocations whatever have been made since last September. The substantial rise in price of books abroad has been an additional factor in isolating Israel scholars and research workers from the scientific world.

But the question of papers and books were not the only troubles which faced the Government this week. The Cabinet held three meetings, on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, to continue discussions on various bills to be presented to the Knesset. One of the meetings was devoted to further discussion of the economic crisis.

Three weeks ago it was rumoured that drastic measures were to be taken, but now it appears that the Cabinet's deliberations have been mainly concerned with the question of supplies.

Business circles, however, believed that steps to curtail the purchasing power of the population and to increase production are being planned, and these will probably include the introduction of exchange rates, standardization of industrial production, new regulations about building and measures to deal with payment for imports.

It was also reported that the Minister of Commerce and Industry proposed to abolish special food rations for some 75,000 manual workers, since most of the additional rations go to feed the workers' children instead of helping to increase the men's physical fitness. It was therefore suggested that workers should get their additional calories in hot meals at the factory-canteen. The first such canteen was established last Monday at the "Hamat" factory in Tel Aviv, where staff for other canteen kitchens will be trained. Official representatives, speaking at the opening ceremony said that 2,200 was the minimum number of calories which should be taken per day in Israel's climate, while the present average is 2,480.

"Eli says he's not drilling for oil, he only wants to be on the look-out for the kerosene cart."

Kerosene Queues

The supply of kerosene, particularly in Jerusalem, was even worse this week than during the heavy December storms. Long queues of weary housewives, the old, the pregnant and the sick, formed wherever and whenever the small red kerosene carts appeared. People were glad if they got their 15 litres of kerosene and nobody dared ask the arrogant vendors to help them carry the tin home, even though this is their duty. While much of the queueing was due to lack of organization and to irresponsible hoarding, even in bathtubs, there seemed to be a cut in the amount of kerosene supplied to Jerusalem vendors.

ALSO THIS WEEK: more than 15 persons, including several children, were killed or seriously injured in traffic accidents. While cars or trucks are usually responsible, this weeks buses were also to blame. A "Dan" bus killed a 105-year-old man crossing the streets in Tel Aviv's Hatkiva quarter, while two children and one woman were injured by other buses in various parts of the country. It has been suggested that the Police should start a special investigation of accidents caused by buses, whose drivers responsible for the safety of dozens of passengers, should be more careful and more experienced than they seem to be.

Cairo Changes

By WILLIAM CLARK

LONDON (OFNS)

MR. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, has been studying the latest reports from Cairo with a view to deciding whether any action by Britain should be taken as the result of the change in the Egyptian Government. The British aim is to stop shooting and start talking.

The change of Government came as a complete surprise in Britain, in spite of the fact that relations between the British Embassy and the Abdin Palace have been close. It is believed that King Farouk decided to act because he saw the complete breakdown of public order on the horizon. Ever since the anti-British rioting was started by the Government, there has been a danger that the guns put into the hands of the mob would be turned, not against the British, but against the corrupt and greedy Pashas who rule Egypt. The events of Friday and Saturday in Cairo convinced both the King and Nahas Pasha that this danger was very real.

From the British point of view there was one immediate gain in the change of Government. The new Cabinet had a mandate for one thing: to stop the breakdown of law and order.

If the King and the new Government have really decided on the unpopular line of negotiating with Britain; they will either have to be extremely tough and may have to enforce their decision against popular opinion That would mean that the Allied cause would be based on the shaky foundations of Palace government. Only some entirely new British or Allied gesture can change this situation.

Anxious Period for Britain

By GEORGE LICHTHEIM, POST Correspondent

LONDON, January 26. — SINCE the war, Britain has had a financial crisis on an average once every two years. The latest is described in the following terms by "The Times," not normally an alarmist paper:

> **In the roundest terms, this country is running through its savings to the extent of about £15m. a week, and there is yet no sign of the pace slackening. At that rate this country will be finally unable to pay its debts in international legal tender in the third week of August. The individual in such circumstances goes to the bankruptcy court. What happens to a nation is less immediate but more disastrous. The value of the currency and what it will buy becomes dependent on the whim of international opinion... It will buy less and less.... It is not necessary to dwell on the impoverishment, in the moderate stage, or the moral and material catastrophe in the extreme stage, which inflation of that kind means. These things are sufficiently recorded in the annals of many countries in Europe and elsewhere which went through this dreadful experience in the 1920s and the 1940s.**

To people in Israel, who are familiar with the experience referred to, all this may sound preternaturally grave. But for Britain, an inflation of this kind, following the collapse of sterling as international legal tender, would be a shatteringly novel experience. It would also disrupt a large portion of world trade. Fortunately there are signs that the drain may be stopped before it reaches the danger point, but at best it is going to be very close.

The recent Commonwealth Conference of Finance Ministers seems to have taken fairly drastic decisions. They will need to be drastic to impress the public with a sense of urgency, for one of the disturbing elements of the situation is the complacency with which the average man and woman regards the approaching avalanche. They have been hearing about the "financial crisis" for years, and nothing has ever happened to make them uncomfortable. Why should it now?

The answer is once more given by "The Times."

> **The mass of the people in this country certainly show few signs of anxiety... If this is because they rely on being rescued by American aid once again, the absence of any such arrangement during Mr. Churchill's visit ... should have undeceived them. Perhaps they cannot picture to themselves the collapse of a currency, with the hunger and the moral disintegration which this has caused wherever and whenever it has occurred."**

The majority of the public cannot bring itself to believe that this time the usual remedies are exhausted. They have been taught to associate "full employment" with "prosperity," and are now about to realize that a country can be fully employed producing commodities that other countries don't want to buy.

Churchill's Warning

In retrospect, the decision to dispense with Marshall Aid in 1950, and to start a huge arms programme at the same time, now wears an extremely odd look. What seemed courageous then, now looks like foolhardiness. Conversely, Mr. Churchill's blunt warning to Congress that while Britain's living standard is her own affair, the arms programme is America's responsibility, stands out as a characteristic piece of realism. This, more or less, is what Aneurin Bevan wanted the Labour Government to tell the Americans, and what Mr. Attlee and Mr. Morrison had not the courage to do.

Thus the defence programme is no longer the chief obstacle to solvency. Its size will from now on depend on the extent of America's contribution to NATO, and the President's message to Congress suggests that this contribution is due to be stepped up by at least 50 per cent. What stands in the way of British solvency now is the foreign trade deficit, and in particular the failure of the coal and steel industries to pull their weight. Although coal production is 30 million tons above 1946, it is about 30 million tons below what it should be to make the economy solvent. If Britain could export coal, half her problems would be solved.

It is significant that "The Economist" has come to the point of suggesting that all miners should be paid a basic wage of £10 weekly — the extra cost being passed on to the consumer — as the only means of getting more men into the pits. There are those who believe that this should have been done years ago — coupled with a wage freeze for less essential occupations. One way or another, under Labour or Tory Governments, Britain is moving closer to a genuinely planned economy. If the Labour Government had possessed the courage of its convictions it need probably not have gone out of office.

Readers' Letters

SERIOUS OMISSION

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—The prominent news item on page 3 of your January 15 issue on conditions in the Maritime field here was misleading as a result of a serious omission. The existence and operation here over a period of years, of major ship classification Societies, other than "Lloyds," seems to have been completely ignored.

As far back as 1949, the American Bureau of Shipping considered the development of the Israel Merchant Marine and port activities most important and appointed me their Representative in Israel. The Registro Italiano Navale did the same in 1950, while Det Norske Veritas has had through the services of Captain Bugge and myself, representation here for some years. These Societies classify a very large segment of the Israel Merchant Fleet and the foreign vessels visiting Israel ports.

Already many annual, special and casualty surveys have been carried out here in Israel, in whole or in part, according to requirements and circumstances, to the great convenience of local and foreign vessels as well as to the advantage to the economy, labour, industry and the maritime status of the young State of Israel. In this connection I am particularly pleased to be able to inform you that plans are being concluded to have a vessel, soon to be constructed by a shipyard in Haifa, classed by the American Bureau of Shipping during construction. This, I believe, will be the first vessel to be built to classification in this area.

Although I welcome "Lloyd's" decision regarding representation here, other classification Societies who have well-established representation in Israel, should not be ignored.

Yours etc.,
ROBERT ALLEN,
Surveyor.

Haifa, January 15.

Points from Letters

WAITING. — In July, 1951, I registered for the Government Popular Housing Scheme and paid IL.100. Construction was supposed to start in February. Six months have passed and I have not even been informed whether my application has been approved, not to mention the promised contract, the additional IL.400 and the monthly instalments. Is the Ministry of Labour in a position to comment?

Jerusalem. Z.L.

ANOTHER QUEUE. — We were promised at the beginning of the new administration that unnecessary queueing would be abolished. Yet now we have to queue for kerosene, which used to be delivered at the kitchen door. It is difficult enough for healthy women to carry a full tin — what are pregnant and old women supposed to do?

Bnei Brak. Daisy Koeb

MANAGEMENT AND LABOUR. — One resolution adopted at a recent meeting of the Histadrut Executive refers to the establishment of joint labour-management production boards. I propose such a board for the Eshed Bus Transport Cooperative substituting suitable representatives of the public for the management. Bus cooperatives are public services and without the public would go out of business.

Tel Aviv. Franz Hichenberg

PRESTIGE REGAINED. — In a letter I had reason to complain about a cable sent from Jerusalem which did not arrive in London. I am pleased to say that after investigations by the Israel Postal Services it was found that the fault lay with "Cable and Wireless," London.

London. Dr. J. Maitlis

DRIVER'S DILEMMA. — From time to time the Ministry of Communications publishes advice to drivers. "Secure a fully charged battery and keep the acid at the correct level," is one of the instructions. I have been trying to get a new battery for three months now and the only ones offered to me cost IL.50-60. Would the Minister tell me where I can get a battery to keep my car running?

Jerusalem. Dr. F.G. Sulman

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SPRING AND SPRINGS

What is a *spring* asked Fay, the black-eyed maiden from Albion, perfidious, Rip Van Winkle who was "drunkenly" watching the cowslips—heralds of *spring*. The desire to buy some property said he, is a *spring* which *springs* you into action and perpetuates the *spring* of life. Would you, by not buying some property, dry up the clean and clear water of hope running through the *springs* of your horizon?
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The American Scene: Presidential Race Begins

Kefauver Runs Up His Colours

By KENNETH HARRIS

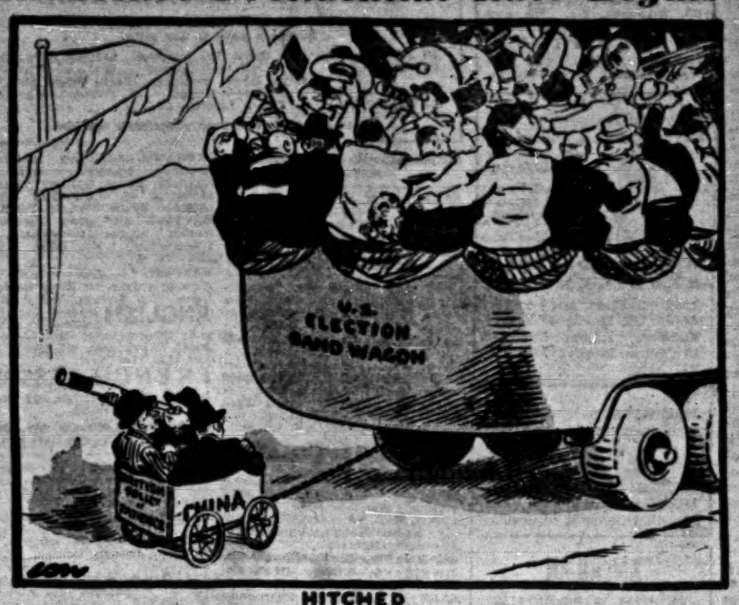
WASHINGTON.—GENERAL Ike Eisenhower, Senator Robert Taft, Mr. Harold Stassen and Governor Earl Warren are already in the field contending for the Republican Party's candidature in the Presidential election.

Now, the first man to declare himself a contender for the Democratic Party's candidature has run up his colours —Senator Estes ("Crime Investigator") Kefauver, the junior Senator from the State of Tennessee. Though he spent 10 years as a Congressman before he became a Senator, Kefauver was unknown nationally until last year when the proceedings of the Senate Crime Investigating Committee, of which he was chairman, were televised.

Now, with the exception of President Truman himself, he is about the best-known member of the party. As you might expect, in announcing the platform on which he will campaign he has stressed above all the necessity for cleaning up the Government and for breaking up the alliance between gamblers, racketeers and tax-dodgers and "some" politicians from which he believes American politics still suffer.

Partly because of the muck he raked up by his investigations, and partly because his voting record shows him to be one of the most liberal and progressive voters in Washington, he is not very popular with the leaders of the Democratic Party.

It is common knowledge in Washington that President Truman does not like him. If he were to get the nomination at the Democratic Party convention in July, it would be across the dead bodies of the national committeemen, unless they came to the conclusion that to beat General Eisenhower, who, if he were the Republican Party's choice, would appeal to the nation as a man above party politics, they had better have a candidate who would do the same for the Democrats.



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What the Democrat Party bosses would like most would be for Kefauver to run as candidate for Vice-President. That would keep the ticket and the Party clean, and suggest that there was no rift between the reformers and the main body. The Senator, however, has announced that he is going to run for the Presidential nomination only, and is not interested in any other office.

At 48, Kefauver looks much younger, and is about the burliest figure in the Senate, his training at college as a debater and a footballer having given him plenty of stamina. About 14 months ago he and a handful of other liberal-minded Senators "filibustered" all night — that is, used their privileges to keep talking—to delay the McCarran Act, which virtually outlawed the Communist Party, for a few hours so that public opinion might bombard the capital with protests about it. Kefauver seemed tireless. He is married to a Scot, Nancy Patterson Piggott, who comes from a well-known Glasgow family, and has three children.

By profession he is a lawyer in Chattanooga, Tennessee. He is Congress's most vocal supporter of liberal foreign policies in general, and of Atlantic Union in particular.

Whatever his abilities are, he will appear to millions of Americans as a fearless reformer of public life, an independent fighter who does not care about toeing the party line, and as a supporter of the "advanced" sound legislation associated with Roosevelt and the New Deal.

Joke Over

I read somewhere once that the only just fate for a practical joker is that he or she should marry one. Consequently, I have been following with interest a case in California, where a married couple, both inveterate practical jokers, have let their jokes go so far that they are now suing each other in court.

The wife's *piece de resistance* was to fix a railway fog detonator to the seat of the bathroom lavatory. The joke was a crashing success, and her husband, a Colonel Dennis, took several days to recover from it.

As soon as he was again in full possession of his faculties, he took the timing mechanism of a landmine, which he had come by during the war, wound it up so that it began ticking, waited for his wife to go to bed one night, and threw it under the bed, shouting "bomb."

Mrs. Dennis leaped from bed, ran through the garden in her nightgown, with several neighbours and passers-by looking on, and the Colonel leaning out of the bedroom window chanting: "Yah, Yah, you got no sense of humour."

The people in court laughed so much at this point, that the judge broke his gavel hammering for order, and a man had to be taken to hospital suffering from a heart attack. The case continues.

A Key Job

When they say service in the U.S., they mean fast service.

Last weekend, on reaching my motor car, which was locked and parked in the street, I found that I had lost the key which opens the doors and switches on the ignition. It was nine p.m. on a Saturday night, so I rang the Washington A.A.A. (American Automobile Association) and told them what had happened.

"Go back to your car, and wait," they said.

Thirteen minutes later a big saloon car pulled up, and a man got out, producing an instrument like a genteel-looking jemmy. He slid its blade under the little draught-window, and worked back the catch. Having opened it, he was able to open the door. With another instrument he quickly removed the ignition lock from the dashboard and took it into his own car, the backseat space of which was fitted up as a little metal-working shop, complete with a key-cutting machine and a selection of key-blanks. He fitted the machine with parts which corresponded to the parts he had removed from my ignition lock, and started to cut the blanks. While doing so he listened to the two-way short wave radio and reported progress to headquarters.

Twenty-five minutes after he had arrived, he handed me a couple of keys and drove off, directed by radio to some other keyless chump. I had to pay for the keys, but not for the service. He was only 24, and was doing this as spare-time work to help him pay his way through a Washington engineering college.

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HOW SOME MAGIC CARPETERS 'HELD ON'

YEMEN IN THE NEGEV

The truckloads of Yemenites turned in rage on the Jewish Agency's representatives. "You promised us a moshav," they screamed, "All there is here is sand."

The Agency officials tried to reason with them. "This is the northern Negev," they said. "This is good land. Jewish boys fought to keep this land."

The Yemenites' anger was unabated and uninhibited. "Whom did they fight against —the sand? We didn't come here to live in the desert."

The 30 families milled around the officials in a cloud of June dust. Blows were threatened. In the end the Yemenites were induced to pitch a few tents and settle down for the day, still grumbling that they would go back to the immigrant camp at Ein Shemer the next day.

SARAH and Moshe reminisced triumphantly. Sarah Levy was one of the two Jewish Agency workers who had come there with the Yemenites almost two years ago. Moshe, then 18, was the rebel ringleader. They talked to me about the "old days" of June, 1950, already a bit of a legend in the *moshav*.

Bit'hah is about 20 kilometres northwest of Beersheba, off the Gaza road. Its houses form a long-legged L within whose angle are the public buildings and behind stretch strips of 20 dunams for the settlers.

Starting Point

When they pitched their tents in June of 1950, the first 30 Yemenite families, and the 60 who came later, called their camp a *ma'bara*, although in the strictest sense of the word it was not, but rather a pre-*moshav* starting-point. In the early days, they earned their living by working on a Jewish National Fund afforestation project and by building the houses they were to live in.

Of the first 90 families, three left to join relatives at Heletz, a *moshav* 80 kilometres to the north. A wadi interfered with the original plans for Bit'hah, and only 82 houses could be built for the 87 families. Five families would have to go.

The elected committee faced what seemed to be an easy job. Only 11 months earlier, none of the families had wanted to stay. Surely five would be willing now to go somewhere else, somwhere, perhaps closer to Tel Aviv. The committee asked for volunteers. The upshot was that they informed the Jewish Agency that none of the settlers would leave. The unanimous response was "We will live together or move together." Five settlers were drawn by lot and moved into the auxiliary farmsteads built for non-members — the doctor, the storekeeper and the tradesmen —which had not yet been occupied. Meanwhile, five more houses were built for them.

Large Families

The houses are tiny—eight metres by three is the biggest. The families are large—87 families have 378 persons. In addition to 20 dunams per unit, including five under irrigation, the village uses 2,400 dunams for cereals, cultivated under the Government's subsidy. From all parts of the country, farmers are taking advantage of the Government's offer and farming land in the Negev, drawing a pound per dunam and keeping the yield for sale or their own use.

"They were farmers in the Yemen—and they're good farmers," said Arieh Citron, who operates a tractor. "While still in tents, they sowed maize. From September to November they marketed 200 tons of it, at IL.65 per ton. They had more, but fed their own cows."

In those three months, they also marketed 20 tons of marrows at IL.90, 15 tons of red radishes at IL.72. White radishes. Cabbage. In January they began to market their milk (one cow per settler)—a hundred litres a day, after own use, at 150 pruto the litre. But the cows still have no sheds, and are tethered outdoors in all weather. All but Shmuel's.

Shmuel Borah-Tuvim is not a new immigrant, but an old-timer. He has been in Israel for four years. Now he is 21, and learned initiative in a Youth Aliya camp at Nathanya, in a *kibbutz* in the Emek. His cow has reaped the benefit of his training, and enjoys advantages over the other cows, Shmuel scrounged a bit of wood here and a bit of tin there, and put up a workmanlike cowshed-cum-storeroom.

Today Shmuel is the secretary of the village, and has to employ labour to help him cultivate his 20 dunams of onions, clover, cabbage, redbeets. He is conscious of his seniority over the other farmers twice his age. "They're good farmers," he said, "but they're not ready for responsibility. They constantly expect to be helped from the outside. They don't have enough initiative. We'll never get things in our own hands this way."

Helping them learn is the Jewish Agency's trainer, Yehoshua Ben-Dror of Kfar Warburg. Like Sarah Levy, he was delegated by the Irgun Hamoshavim to help the new village. He left his own farm to come, and has been at Bit'hah for three months.

"I'm new here," he said, "but I've already managed to drown in a sea of problems — I'm only just beginning to float to the surface. There are no major troubles, but the minor ones can be even more irritating. The new Yemenites are completely unlike the older generation we knew. They don't take so readily to discipline. They have their own social problem. They're all local patriots from the Yemen, and form home-town cliques. Some come from the Taiz region in the Yemen, some from Sorak, some from Duweiba. A Taiz man won't trust a Sorak man, a Sorak man won't cooperate with a Duweiba man. If I offer a job to one man, the men of the other two cliques think I'm discriminating."

But the problems haven't been merely social. Sarah Levy understands these people. She came to this country from the Yemen as a child of five several years before the first wave of Yemenite immigration 40 years ago, and has watched them all come. At Bit'hah she has been doctor, nurse, midwife, charwoman, sanitary adviser—all things to all settlers. A woman with means of her own, she has left her comfortable home in Rehovot to do all this, and the villagers worship her. She battled ringworm, trachoma, dirt. Now she is helped by a resident nurse and a doctor who comes twice a week.

Old Hand

One of the few non-Yemenite residents is Moshe Bachar, a new immigrant from Yugoslavia who runs the cooperative store. The shelves along one complete wall were covered with bottles of liquor.

"My turnover is about IL.2,500 a month," he said, "and a third of all that goes for drink. But the odd thing is that they're never drunk, never troublesome. They're very quiet. They're simply used to liquor, and now they've got money. They're very prosperous."

"Enough to spend an average of about IL.10 a month on liquor?" I asked.

"Why not?" he said. "Figure it out. The men are still all working outside on afforestation and other projects. That brings them about IL.80 a month. Then they work their own farms — and that is now bringing them about IL.120 a month. That's IL.200 a month. They owe the Jewish Agency about IL.2,000 each for their houses and other things, but they don't have to begin repaying that for five years."

A prosperity index at Bit'hah is the rate of dower expected by a bride's father. Shimon Hassan was married a month ago and paid IL.250 in dower money. But his bride was a widow. A maiden's price these days is IL.300. Another index is furniture. In the last two months, 36 three-door wardrobes have arrived at between IL.270 and IL.300 each.

Black Market Haul

The village nurse, a Yemenite immigrant herself, burst into the shop. "Moshe, there are three men here from Beersheba who want to buy black market stuff," she shrilled, "I told them it would be healthier to go away."

"Good," said Moshe

"Why does she come to you about it?" I asked him.

"I fight the black market around here," he said. "The last time I caught some men, I confiscated 28 packets of margarine and 80 eggs."

"What did you do with them?"

"I sold it all here in the shop and asked the secretary what to do with the money. He said it ought to go to the synagogue, so that's where it went."

The new synagogue is nearing completion. Soon the roof will be laid, and soon Rabbi Menahem Shukr, once a rabbi in the Yemenite town of Shar'ab, will transfer his services from the youth club where the settlers now worship. When the houses were being built the settlers, still in tents, pressed the Jewish Agency to put up a synagogue before houses, and the Agency gave them the use of the clubhouse and began work on the synagogue.

"I'm not a rabbi, really," said Rabbi Shukr modestly, "only the ritual slaughterer, the teacher for religious studies, the *mohel* and the acting rabbi."

"But aren't you paid for serving as rabbi?"

"No. The Ministry of Education pays me for teaching, but the Ministry for Religious Affairs gives me nothing — not even for the necessary instruments and medicines for a *brith milah*."

"Can't you do something about the cliques and the quarrels?"

"What can I do? If they come to me, I act as judge. But I can't chase them. In the Yemen, the rabbi had more power. The Arab authorities confirmed our judgments. Recently two men came to me to settle a quarrel and I made peace between them. I ordered one to apologize to the other. But they don't always come to me."

The *moshav* is still without piped water in the houses, without chicken runs, without cowsheds, without electricity, without a telephone. There is a Government school and three teachers, and a kindergarten with no kindergartner — a local girl is filling in. There are 200 children. There were 21 births in the last year, and there are now 11 expectant mothers.

But the settlers are learning to make the best of things. Bit'hah is not a model *moshav* in the absolute sense, but might serve as a model for new immigrants, both those who are still wondering whether to go on the land, and those who have done so and are faced with difficulties. The Bit'hah settlers have been in Israel exactly two years. They still need guidance and are getting it, but they have come —or been brought—a long way since they landed here on The Magic Carpet in the January of 1950. Bit'hah means "confidence," "self-reliance." Rapidly the settlers are learning to earn their name.

WORTH NOTING

The author told this story of Bit'hah to the Jewish Agency's trainer in another village. He was envious. "My Yemenites aren't like that," he said. "They wouldn't believe it could be done as you describe it. Do you think the Agency would pay eight or ten men a day's wages for a trip there?" he asked doubtfully.

"Maybe they would take Yemenites and other new immigrants from all parts of the country for a look at Bit'hah..."

Rediscovering Israel
By M. Eskolsky

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Tuesday, Feb. 5	T.W.A. SWISS AIR SABENA B.O.A.C. K.L.M. EL AL	Athens, Rome, Paris, New York Athens, Geneva, Zurich Athens, Brussels, New York Rome, London Amsterdam Istanbul, Zurich
Wednesday Feb. 6	P.A.I. B.O.A.C. T.A.E. CYPRUS AIR	Karachi, Calcutta, Manila Rome, London, New York, Nicosia, Athens Nicosia, Athens, Rome, London
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FROM HAIFA AIRPORT

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United Appeal's Vital Role

By ELIEZER LIVNEH, M.K.

REPORTS from New York indicate that last month's conference in Jerusalem between the leaders of the United Jewish Appeal and the Independence Loan Bond Drive in the United States did not achieve the agreement sought by the conveners, Ambassador Eban and Premier Ben Gurion. While recognising the vital importance to our economy of the Bond Drive, it is perhaps advisable to explain to the Israel public something of the background of the U.J.A.

The United Jewish Appeal has now become a permanent feature of Jewish communities in America. No other financial project — loan or charity — has the same permanence and stability which years of labour have brought to the United Appeal. A loan, by its very nature, depends to a great extent on the changing economic situation in the country where it is being raised and on the degree of confidence in the finances of the borrower country. The United Appeal is largely independent of these uncertain factors. The habit which, perhaps unconsciously, it has established of obliging Jews to give full support to the development of Israel, is a national and moral achievement no less important than its financial yield.

At the same time it has great educational possibilities. The United Appeal raises funds not only for Israel but for the major needs of American Jewry as well. In this way an administrative and personal bond is established between local interests and those of Israel. It is doubtful whether there is any organization in the Diaspora of equal value for the support of Israel and of Jewry. If we had been sufficiently far-sighted, we would have created parallel institutions in all the free communities of the Diaspora.

The United Appeal is a precondition of every other financial project for Israel. For many years we will need funds for non-returnable investment. However many changes we may introduce in our economy to raise the output of immigrants, we shall still need resources to help absorb the potentially productive *aliya*. Only the United Appeal can provide this type of resource, constantly and over a long period. Furthermore, only by virtue of its existence can we maintain national credit institutions such as the Independence Bonds.

For the Appeal — guaranteeing basic non-returnable investments—enables us to obtain returnable credit, and for this purpose to promote special financial projects. Moreover the Appeal is a guarantee for the Government's foreign creditors that debts will be honoured—since a stable source of hard currency exists for their payment.

The opening-up, therefore, of any form of government and public credit abroad is to be welcomed. But this at present can be no more than a temporary measure. The sure foundation of all our financial activity abroad is the United Appeal. It this is harmed, the rest may collapse. This must not be forgotten during any discussions and decisions on our financial front in the U.S.A.

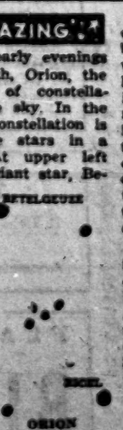
INHABITANTS OF TEL AVIV ARE LEARNING LANGUAGES

Numerous are the students of the "Kadima" School of Languages, at 74 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Tel Aviv.

Members of the free professions, business men, clerks, labourers, soldiers, civilians and new immigrants who have not not yet acquired the knowledge of the Hebrew language which is so necessary for their advancement in daily life. The courses are taking place in the morning and evening hours. On account of the numerous requests the management of the School have had to enlarge their present staff and to engage additional first class teachers.

STAR-GAZING

DURING the early evenings of this month, Orion, the most beautiful of constellations, graces the sky. In the middle of this constellation is a belt of three stars in a slanting line. At upper left is the reddish, giant star, Betelgeuze. If the centre of this star were at the point where the centre of our sun now is, the earth's orbit would be within the diameter of this star. At lower right is Rigel, whose intrinsic luminosity is greater than that of any visible star, but it is at a very great distance from the earth. Light that reaches us today from Rigel left the star 540 years ago. (Travelling at 300,000 km. a second, light takes 8½ seconds to reach the earth from our sun).



Colour Clues

Beneath Orion, and somewhat to its left, is sparkling Sirius, which seems so clear because it is not so far away. Light from this star takes only nine years to reach the earth—a comparatively small distance.

Above Orion will be seen the constellation of Auriga, the "charioteer." This constellation is pentagonal in shape and its brightest star is Capella. Each of these stars has a different colour. Rigel is bluish-white, Sirius is white, while Capellu is yellow. We know that when a piece of iron is heated it first becomes red-hot, then gradually white-hot. Similarly, it is possible to determine the temperature of a star's surface. The suface of a red star is "colder" than that of a white star and certainly much colder than that of a bluish-white one.

Near Auriga, to the east, is the rectangular constellation of Gemini, the "twins." The brightest stars in the constellation are named after Castor and Pollux, the twins of Greek mythology. Far below Sirius, near the horizon, is the star Canopus, which cannot be seen from further north than Israel.

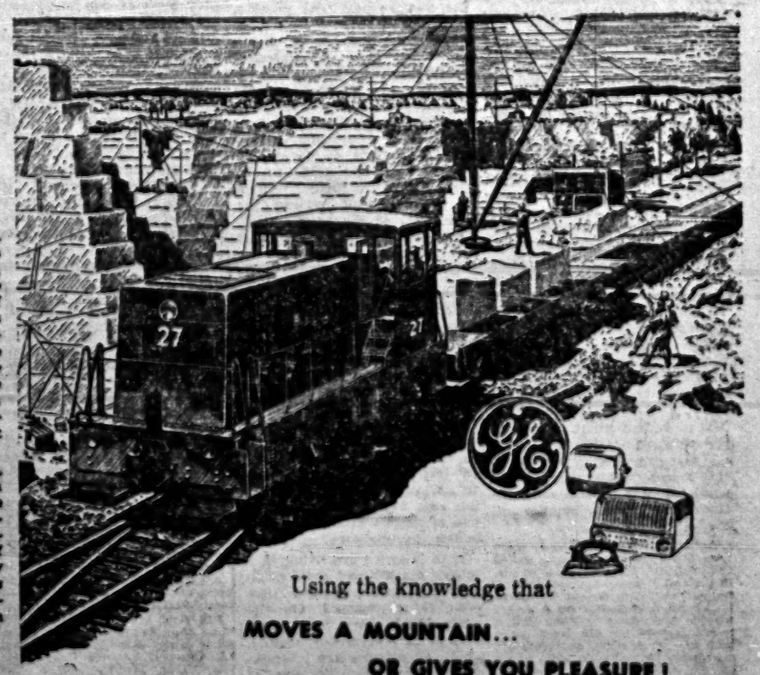
The Planets

In the early evenings at the beginning of the month, the planet Jupiter appears in the western sky, and Venus, which rises about two and a half hours before sunrise, graces the morning heavens.

A partial eclipse of the moon on the night of February 11 begins after midnight at 0303. The climax of the eclipse will be at 0329 and will end at 0815. Only a small part of the moon will enter the earth's shadow for a short period, and at the climax only nine per cent of the moon will be covered.

JOSEF SHOIRA

The solar eclipse of February 25 will be discussed in a special article.



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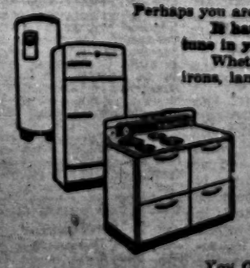

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From JESSE ZEL LURIE
January 22

THERE have been no further outrages in Miami. But in the month since the Christmas Eve murder of Negro leader Harry T. Moore and his wife, the FBI has not unearthed any clues as to who placed the explosives under the Moore dwelling.

The kind of cooperation the Federal investigators received from the local law enforcement officers can be surmised when one learns that last week the Conference of Florida Sheriffs invited Bill Hendrix, Grand Dragon of the Florida Ku Klux Klan, to address their state-wide meeting at Daytona Beach. Among those who heard the address of the head of the 'bedsheet bigots' was Sheriff Willis V. McCall, of Lake County, who recently shot down two handcuffed Negro prisoners, defendants in the notorious Groveland rape case. McCall must have been pleased when Hendrix told Florida's law enforcement officers that he deplored "the furor which has risen over the Groveland case and the Harry T. Moore murder."

Communists Blamed

He said that Moore, who was state coordinator for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, "wasn't just a Negro. He was a Communist and a trouble maker in the state." The whole commotion over the Groveland case and Moore's murder was inspired by the Communists, he added.

The KKK leader is running for governor in the Democratic primary this spring. There are six other candidates so I presume he will get only the crackpot vote. That he can run at all and that the Sheriff invited him to make a speech is indicative of the state of race relations and law enforcement in Florida. Main planks in Hendrix's platform:

- "No Negroes in white schools."
- "Return to Florida citizens the beaches stolen by the Jews at Miami Beach."

In his campaign speeches to the white tenant farmers and tobacco growers his biggest response is when he declares that if elected he will "send every bulldozer in the state road department down to Miami Beach to rip out the sea-walls and give the beaches back to the gentiles."

On the sands of Miami Beach, the northern Jewish vacationers luxuriating in their expensive ghetto, are probably unaware of what the KKK has planned for the multi-million skyscraper hotels and care even less. They prefer to believe the statement by the Anti-Defamation League that the 13 bombings of synagogues, Catholic churches and Negro housing developments in the Miami area were the work of youthful pranksters rather than an organized terrorist movement stemming from the KKK.

A few liberal Jews in the North, who may not have the income to go South for the winter, advocated a boycott of Florida resorts. Hit the Floridians in their pocketbooks, they said, and the local sheriffs would soon pick up anyone threatening a Jewish or Negro home or institution.

Jewish City

What the boycotters forget is that Jews go to Jewish hotels, eat at Jewish restaurants, patronize Jewish night clubs and place their race-track bets with Jewish bookies. About the only mammals in the southern half of Miami Beach without Jewish blood are the greyhounds at the dog races. Negroes, except house-servants, are excluded by local ordinance, and those who work at the hotels must be off the streets and back in Miami before night. A call to the railroad station ascertained that the luxury trains to the southland are still booked solid till March with no more than the usual number of cancellations.

Across the bay is Miami, there is a fairly good newspaper called the "Miami Herald." Its editor, for whom I have a great deal of respect and who taught me never to go off half-cocked on a story, would be shocked to learn that a recent report on his front page had the same effect as Hendrix's statement that anyone who wants to see the murderers of Moore brought to book is a Communist.

A delegation of 19 Negro and White leaders saw Governor Fuller Warren on Friday on January 4. The Governor received the delegation politely, but during the meeting said nothing to repudiate the reward for the Moore murderers. This was increased from $2,500 to $5,000. The Governor discovered that half of the members of the delegation were connected with the Civil Rights Congress or other leftist organizations. It therefore was possible to smear the whole delegation as Communist, which in turn prevented the civil rights group from getting any publicity. Governor Warren's office issued a statement which said that the Governor "did what he could" for the Negroes.

Southern columnist Jennings Perry, quoted in the New York "Compass," The only point in dragging the red rag across the effort to find Moore's murderers is to distract the public interest in a shameful crime by a shameful ruse.

My dear young friend...
Letter to an Administrator

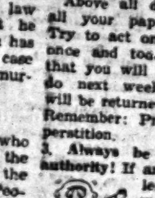
You are young and ambitious, I know, and you will not rest until you have reached the top. Accept my advice and you will be there in no time. Here then are your five basic rules:—

1. Never delegate power! Do everything yourself — your assistants may commit mistakes and you will be held responsible. Since you are so much more efficient, don't waste effort in training your subordinates; they will never be able to take your place in any case.

2. Everything is important and urgent! All problems reaching your desk are important. Make no artificial distinctions between cases of principle and of detail. If you investigate the details with sufficient thoroughness you will certainly discover that there is some principle involved. And you cannot really solve any question of principle without understanding all the details.

Above all don't forget that all your papers are urgent. Try to act on all of them at once and today. Don't worry that you will have nothing to do next week. Your papers will be returned to you anyhow. Remember: Priorities are Superstition.

3. Always be the competent authority! If an important caller comes to you with a project, never refer him to anyone else. After all, the man must have confidence in you to have approached you at all, and it would be unfair to disappoint him. It will enhance your prestige if you promise that you will act personally in the matter.



To your colleague you can always explain you know how overburdened he is and you just wanted to help. If however one of your colleagues wants to repay your kindness by taking an active interest in one of your pets, you had better give him a stern lecture on division of labour, and where we would get if everybody dealt with everything.

4. Do everything through Committees! There is no more democratic way of tackling a problem than through a committee. The free interplay of minds and personalities is most productive and enjoyable. Of course make sure to keep well to the rules. If by chance you should find yourself in agreement with one of the previous speakers, don't simply say that you share his opinion. Repeat all the previous arguments, since otherwise you may get the reputation of having no ideas of your own. If you happen to be a chairman of an administrative, financial or organizing committee persuade the members not to think on the issues at hand before the meeting because this may prejudice their opinion. Besides being unprepared make the session longer and more enjoyable.

Finally, if you want resolutions to be carried out efficiently don't entrust their execution to one individual only. A sub-committee will eliminate the possibility of errors.

5. Have no time! If you have time, you cannot be important.

Of course, by carefully following the advice I have given you in this letter you are not likely to have a moment to spare. Another advantage of being always busy is that it leaves you no time to think. Also never relax, don't indulge in hobbies or, God forbid, in sport. This would not be considered serious and worthy of a good administrator.

Now, dear young friend, all depends on you. Listen to my precepts and your career will be a brilliant one. It is of course not impossible that with some energetic effort you may be able to attain that final qualification for high rank—a breakdown.

Your old Mentor,
YAIR ARAN

THEATRE NOTES
Kibbutz Comedy's Fresh Approach

"Huts and the Moon." Comedy by Shulamith Bat-Dori. Directed by Zeev Barban. Ohel

THERE are certain compensations in going to see every show presented at every theatre, without knowing in advance anything of the merits or faults of the new production. One becomes philosophical and learns to take the good with the bad without becoming completely intolerant of the errors in judgment or in technique of the producing company. As far as I am concerned, I always go to see a play written by a local playwright with the best of spirits and the most hopeful of attitudes. I do not look for great things from an untried and unknown writer, but I have high hopes that there might be that spark of truth; that bit of talent with a promise for better things in the future; that touch of reality in picturing the people and the scenes around us. There is always the pleasure that one gets in seeing an original play and not a translation of someone else's life and idiom.

"Huts and the Moon" by Shulamit Bat-Dori fulfilled some of the high hopes I always have before seeing a Hebrew play. It is a play of life in the kibbutz. It has a fresh, unsentimental approach to the life of a young cooperative group who have to cope with their highly involved technical and sentimental difficulties. It is a good-natured comedy which laughs with kindness and understanding at the grave problems and the attempt to solve them. The play discusses such vital questions as the rejected and the socially difficult personalities in the collective way of life. It is the story of the ugly duckling who turns into a swan.

Amateur Zest

There is a freshness and a wholesomeness about the play as presented by the Ohel. Whether accidentally or intentionally, Zeev Barban, who directed the production, wisely kept it on an amateur level, which gave it the zest and spirit of a college production. For Shulamith Bat-Dori has not written a polished and finished play. There is much of the amateur in her first play to be seen on the so-called professional stage. But Miss Bat-Dori seems to have a feeling for the theatre. She develops her theme with warmth and humour. Her characters for the most have a sense of reality and act as people in real life look and act. On the other hand there are far too many extraneous themes and too much attention is paid to developing minor details. The play is cluttered up with far too many changes of scenery which do nothing towards making the action develop more quickly. The revolving stage is clumsy and noisy and far too pretentious for the spirit and the simplicity of the story. But despite its very obvious shortcomings, "Huts and the Moon," in my estimation, is much to be desired over many of the pretentious and highbrow performances which the Ohel have presented.

On the acting side, some of the minor characters are much better than the principals. The foreign element in the kibbutz is amusingly presented by Yacov Ben Sirah as Marvel and Gidon Zingbar as Benjamin. Yehudah Shechori plays the poor schlemiel shoe maker very well. Ina Carmel was appropriately young but much too strident as Chanele, the aforementioned ugly duckling. Batya Ostrofski plays the garish city girl who sees the light and remains in the kibbutz while Meir Yonai plays the over-dressed and over-brilliantined city beau who does not see the light and drives away in his elegant Chrysler with an appropriately hooting horn and the hooting scorn on the part of the chaverim.

Some of the settings by Yehuda Weinhaber are imaginative, but there are far too many and the poor ones detract from the attractiveness of the others.

IDA B. DAVIDOWITZ

Radio Review
Tuning in Trade

THE Israel radio has inherited the British (and general European) tradition of national broadcasting. The programmes are a public service, and the officials are civil servants. Israel has never experienced the commercial approach which is the rule in America.

There are, doubtless, people in Israel who would summarily reject advertisements over the air; but those responsible for Kol Yisrael should weigh the issue carefully, especially at the present time. Our radio service has to work on a budget fixed by the Knesset. Hitherto this budget (which incidentally is a comparatively low proportion of the income from wireless licences) has been woefully inadequate. Consequently, the rate of remuneration has been almost nominal, and many potential participants have been scared off by the meagre pay. The problem is about to become even more acute. The number of hours broadcast is to be increased considerably through the introduction of a second programme, but at the same time the radio budget remains constant. Thus the money which was inadequate to cover former needs has now to be stretched even further. There is also talk of raising the standards of the programmes. How is this to be accomplished without more revenue?

This is where commercial broadcasting could come to the rescue of our State service. The two systems are not mutually exclusive, as is illustrated for example in South Africa where there are parallel wavelengths — national and commercial — or in certain countries where a limited number of hours a day is turned over to sponsored broadcasting. We in Israel are about to have two wavelengths. Why not allot, say, two hours a day on one of these wavelengths to be bought by sponsors?

It is true we are living in a sellers' market and could probably not sell unlimited time even if we wanted. On the other hand there is a great deal of surplus money around, which advertisers are interested in attracting. Because of the paper shortage, there are limited opportunities for advertising, and advertisers should welcome the new medium. At the same time the Government should be glad of the opportunity to divert money from the advertiser into its own coffers. As a result, the broadcasting service would have a larger budget, and at the same time less hours to plan. In addition it would be beneficial for Kol Yisrael to have competition. It would continue to broadcast its regular programmes on the other wavelength at the same time as the commercial hours. Thus listeners who object to advertising over the air in any form would still be able to listen to the regular programmes of Kol Yisrael. Moreover, the fact that an alternative service was being broadcast would be an incentive to advertisers to present popular features with the maximum taste; if, for example, the advertising became too frequent or too blatant, the listener would just switch over. The sponsored programme would also be subject to a certain amount of surveillance to check its taste and content.

The scheme for sponsored programmes could be given a six-months trial. Kol Yisrael could appoint a commercial manager to make the necessary arrangements with the advertisers as well as acting as liaison with the programme staff on questions of mutual concern. The whole plan might well result in a general improvement of our broadcasting standards.

Pick of next week's programmes: Third anniversary of Musical Quiz (tomorrow at 9.30 a.m.); Chamber Theatre production of "The Queen of Sheba" (tomorrow at 11.50 a.m.); Music of our Time includes Dallapiccola's "Songs in Captivity" and Schoenberg's "A Survivor from Warsaw" (tomorrow at 3.45 p.m.); Tel Aviv dances (tomorrow at 9.45 p.m.); Press Conference (Wednesday, 8.45 p.m.).

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ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 607 M.; HAIFA: 349 M.; TEL AVIV: 45.9, 31.5 & 322 M.

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m. (tomorrow 8.30 a.m.), 8.00 a.m. 12.00 N. 1.30, 6, 8.30 and 11.00 p.m.; **English:** 2 and 9.30 p.m.; **Arabic Programme** (including News): 8.01 a.m., 2.15 and 7.15 p.m.; **French:** 3 p.m.

TODAY

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.33 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies. 8.30 Oriental Music: R. Amar. 8.45 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Morning Concert (R). 11.40 Music from the Movies (R). 11.55 Ballet Music (R). 12.00 Programme for Hospitals. 12.30 Break for Music (R). 1.00 Soldiers' Programme. 1.45 Programme Announcements. 2.15 Programme for Yemenites. 2.30 Kabbalat Shabbat. 4.00 Close Down.

4.30 p.m. Light Music (R). 5.00 "The Political Scene." 5.15 Children's Hour. 5.45 Bible Reading. 6.15 Classical Request Programme. 7.00 "This Week's Story." 8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.45 Melodies (R). 9.45 Friday Night Concert: Symphony No. 93 (Haydn), London Philharmonic Orchestra, Conductor; Sir Thomas Beecham: Scherzo "Queen Mab" from "Romeo & Juliet" (Berlioz); L'orchestra de la Societa des Concerts du Conservatoire, Conductor, Charles Munch; Serenade for Strings (Tchaikowsky), B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra, Conductor, Adrian Boult; Rhapsody No. 1 (Debussy), Benny Goodman with the N.Y. Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra, Conductor: John Barbirolli; Overture "School for Scandals" (Jansen), Symphony Orchestra, Conductor: Werner Jansen. 11.05 Close Down.

TOMORROW

7.30 a.m. Service and Melodies (R). 8.45 Light Music (R). 9.00 Musical Quiz. 10.30 Literary Corner. 11.05 Chamber Hall: Concerto Grosso No. 1 (Handel); "Belshazzar's Feast" (Walton) 11.50 Sabbath Programme. 12.30 Request Programme. 1.00 Light Music (R).

1.45 Cantoral Recordings. 3.15 Close Down.

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Merchandise and Morals

By Yaacov Levinsky

EACH big town in Israel has its own individual character, but some common features of Israel town life have emerged in the wake of mass immigration. In the centres of the towns and in the more comfortable (by Israel standards) suburban establishments, live the "old-timers," an accepted term today for those who have seen more than a decade in this country. Away in the outskirts, often looked upon by the "old-timers" as inaccessible, are the former Arab districts, crowded to capacity by more recent arrivals.

To refer to these inhabitants as new immigrants is misleading. Most of them are in the comparatively fortunate position of having received some form of habitation for their families from the Custodian of Abandoned Property. They are generally Israelis of more than three summers and reserve the right of using the term "new immigrant" when complaining of hardships or of harsh treatment.

By a stretch of the imagination one could call this European immigration of 1948 and 1949 settled from the economic standpoint. Not by any measure can one talk about social or cultural integration. In little clusters with those who came from the same country, they preserve the language and habits of their former *galut* life. Food tastes, cooking nuances, modes of dress and even minute features of daily routine are preserved intact, with a stubborn prejudice to consider changes.

Pressure-Cooker State

This is the situation in most of the southern districts of Jerusalem. These were predominantly Arab districts, consisting of large well-established residences with islands of Jewish life. The high walls and resplendent tiling that previously housed rich Arabs as they drank their potent Arak and feasted on succulent Kabab, now reverberate to the Hungarian or Serbian tongue and give off the aroma of paprika or borscht.

Things might have settled down with each small community preserving its former way of life until a new youthful generation broke ties with the past and went its own *sabra* way. But in the vast "pressure-cooker" of the State, settling down has no chance of achieving any finished form.

The new immigrants who stepped off the ships a year previously are speedily transformed into veterans when confronted with the new influx of a year later. And so, the European settlers occupied every available building that could in any way be considered habitable. Alongside these districts came the temporary establishments — the *ma'barot*. Sociologists could find immense fields for research in the social relationship between the European immigrant, a few years in the country, and the Oriental *ma'bara* dweller. Materially the former is absorbed, according to any statistics that the Jewish Agency or Government have ever put out. He is housed and has found a means of livelihood. The *ma'bara* dweller from the Oriental country is not absorbed from either of these points of view. But culturally and socially, he is a lot nearer to being at home here than the materially settled European.

In districts such as Baka'a and Mekor Haim in Jerusalem, one has a good chance of watching both these elements shaping themselves as Israel citizens. The bus that trundles its way to these districts, stuffed (no more appropriate word could be used) to the last cubic inch, is a little pressure-cooker all on its own. Every journey tells its own story—a babel of tongues, frequent outbursts and frictions, and arroganee and humility thrown together and portrayed in a multitude of minor incidents. When different worlds and different outlooks get so close together that they can't prevent themselves treading on each other's toes, the result cannot be pleasant.

Urchin Pedlars

Most of the Oriental *ma'bara* dwellers like to live in or near a big town. A walk by the side of one of these town-*ma'barot* gives the clue to this desire. The large families of these people can be put to effective economic use. Wives and older girls in large numbers do the daily housework of the more settled families. Younger children peddle wares to anyone prepared to buy. Most of the buyers are these same European immigrants for whom the pedlars have a deep animosity, and who in turn behave most arrogantly towards them. The wares sold by these young itinerant vendors, many of them gaining premature business acumen, are reminiscent of the Neapolitan urchins of Italian films. These wares are not the products of the age-old craftsmanship of the East, they are simply the monthly rations (for which Dr. Dov Joseph has, by a superhuman effort, eked out sufficient foreign currency to buy in order to maintain their nutritional level at minimum standards. The tender age of many of these salesmen puts them well out of reach of the arm of the law.

These petty black marketeering efforts are admittedly puny besides the activities of the Leviathans who deal in vast quantities and make prodigious fortunes out of single transactions. The problem is primarily a socio' and moral one. In these two aspects lie the principal dangers of the existing state of affairs. The salesmen are the Oriental youth—perhaps children would be a more exact description—but the buyers are the European materially settled immigrants.

The rift between these two groups is only widened by such transactions. The first contact is a timid bargaining gesture by one side or the other, but after a few transactions, the activity becomes brisk and aggressive on both sides. The sordidness of the whole business develops apace until the rations of many of the *ma'bara* dwellers are bought almost before they have been officially acquired from the shopkeeper. He is powerless to prevent the impending transaction and is forced to watch the goods that he has lawfully handed over to the rationbook holder, resold before his eyes on his own doorstep, for six times the amount he has received for them. Needless to say, while whole families can subsist at some meagre level by this sort of enterprise, the male members of the family have no reason to work and can continue a levantine idleness.

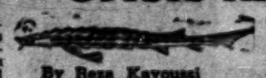
Sociological Problem

To approach the problem from the ethical angle is futile. One cannot primarily blame either the buying or selling party in transactions of this nature. Here is a sociological example of vastly differing backgrounds with outlooks and ways of life that are oceans apart. The immigrant who came here a few years ago from a Europe of crumbling moral values cannot be expected to think twice before taking advantage of the backwardness of newcomers for his own ends. Considerations of citizenship or educational purpose have no meaning for him, because he has as yet found no social or cultural identification with the wider interests of the State.

The Oriental Jew, who sends his children out to sell the family rations, continues in the backward and downtrodden character of Arab life that is ready to barter away all in order to wring the last piastre of the prospective customer. By doing this, he carries on an unproductive degrading existence of idleness, and, in his own way, builds his minimum material subsistence by taking advantage of the European immigrant.

Only a prolonged educational process can arrest this moral degradation into which large sections of the population are sinking. The stock solution presented is that in the course of time the backward Oriental immigrant will be educated to higher moral concepts and to an appreciation of the dignity of man. But, educational processes are not developments that come of their own accord with the passage of time. They have to be initiated by authoritative sources. The "old-timers" who live far from the scenes of such sordidness, usually shrug their shoulders at problems of this nature. "What can you do? It will take generations to teach these people any better" is a common justification for inactivity and also, incidentally, an unvoiced request not to be bothered by the seamier side of the present-day Israel life. The apathy will bring with it a heavy price in moral deterioration. Left unchecked it will reduce us to the level of surrounding states upon whom, until now, we have looked down with great contempt for their moral stagnation.

Crisis in Caviar



By Reza Kavoussi

BANDAR PAHLAVI (Iran)

IN roughly five months' time, Iran will grapple with her mighty neighbour — Russia — over the golden concession of the Caspian fisheries, which will expire next April. The Russian demand for the renewal of the concession agreement may be turned down, government officials predict, with an incontestable decision: nationalization.

Forty-four feet below the level of the Black Sea, the Caspian Sea is bounded by Russia and Iran. The fishing rights along the Iranian shore are owned by the Russo-Iranian Fishing Company, a Russian-controlled concern which works under the concession granted to Russia in 1925.

The most important product of the Fishing Company is caviar — greatest luxury food which comes from the eggs of the adult female sturgeon. The Iranian Government is pledged, under the concession, not to conclude any concession agreement with any other foreign Power when the present agreement with Russia comes to an end. Neither can she employ foreign technicians to run the industry, which is under Russian management.

Half the shares of the Company belong to Russia, and half to Iran, but the managing director of the Company is Russian, while the chairman of the board of directors is Iranian. Of the Company's catch, 90 per cent goes to Russia, and the remainder to Iran, for home consumption.

It is estimated that 70 per cent of all the sturgeon are taken along the Russian shore by the Company. In 1947-48, the Company's catch was 5,000 tons of fish and 75 tons of caviar. The caviar alone was worth $1,800,000. In 1948-49 — an exceptionally good year — caviar production reached 90 tons. At present it can only be re-exported by the Russians, who, in the absence of competition, can fix their own prices.

You do not expect to catch thousands or even hundreds of fish. One large sturgeon can pay one man's wages for seven years. There may be a sturgeon in the factory weighing up to a ton. A fish of this size carries 280 pounds of caviar. Since the rest of the fish sells at 40 cents a pound, a giant sturgeon is well worth about $2,800. The average sturgeon weighs about 25 pounds, and carries six pounds of caviar. It is worth $48. No sturgeon has caviar until it is 14 years old.

A long time ago, a Czarist Russian merchant named Stefan Lianazov obtained a 45-year fishing concession on the Caspian shore. In 1921 the Soviet Government signed a treaty with Iran, giving up all the concessions held by Czarist Russia in this country, but the treaty had recognized the rights of the Lianazovs over the Caspian fishery.

In 1923, the Russians woke up to see that even if they had killed all the geese, there still remains one that lays the golden eggs. So they began to undermine the Lianazovs' position in the Caspian, with the clear objective to drive them out of business, and take over their properties.

The Russians finally decided to gain the Lianazovs' rights and interests by force. Leon, the last of the family, was shanghaied in Teheran by daylight, and taken to the Russian Embassy.

Four months later, the Russian Ambassador stepped up to the Foreign Ministry one day and sought to see the Minister, and to present a new document which was to help solve the Russo-Iranian fishing dispute. It was a letter signed and sealed by Leon Lianazov relegating his titles in the Caspian fishery to the Russian Government. The next day, Russian guards took over the fishing installations all along the Caspian coast, and thus forced the Iranian Government to accept a deal over the Caspian fishery on the basis of an arbitrarily negotiated agreement.

(NANA)

Gilets worn with pullovers or blouses, sleeveless fitted jackets, and a feminine version of the windbreaker will make very good wearing in the weeks ahead. In centre tightly fitted bodice with unusual sleeve and collar arrangement, to be worn with wide full or pleated skirt. Most of the others are better worn with the slim skirt. Examine the possibility of fashioning an old garment into one of these.

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Health from the Safad Hills

By A. L. Davidson

SAFAD.

THERE is a drab, two-storey building on the main street in Safad. Its windows are broken, its walls are pock-marked, and its doors are locked. The iron gate bears a faded sign which reads: "Hadassah Medical Service," but the building itself is deserted.

After the first World War, the American Hadassah organization acquired this building, formerly belonging to the Rothschild family, for the purpose of establishing a medical hospital for residents of Upper Galilee. A general hospital was founded, but in 1926, because of the town's ideal climatic conditions, a section of the hospital was opened to receive cases of tuberculosis. Nine years later the whole hospital was turned over to the treatment of T.B. cases, and continued to function in this capacity until the War of Independence.

With Safad in Jewish hands, all civilian patients were temporarily evacuated to "pensions" in Zichron Ya'akov. The hospital then became "Number Seven Military Hospital" until January, 1949, when the hospital once again was devoted to the fight against tuberculosis. Several of the staff, including the hospital's director, Dr. Avraham Tzifroni, had remained behind in the hospital to work with the Army. Later, Dr. Tzifroni and his colleagues were on hand to welcome back their civilian patients.

View from the new hospital. Photo by Schlesinger

Several weeks ago the building was closed, and the hospital reopened in the upper part of the town.

New Home

The new Hadassah hospital for tuberculosis represents an American philanthropic investment of £150,000, and includes three buildings with the latest medical equipment for patients, with a separate building for laundry. When completed, the hospital will accommodate 120 patients with facilities for expansion, compared to the 90 that the old hospital could care for. The kitchen and laundry have been built to take care of the needs of 250 patients. As yet, only one building is in use but a second will shortly be opened. Empty wards resound with the noise of hammers and saws, as finishing touches are applied before the new patients arrive. The American-trained chief nurse, who was born in Russia, marvelled at the newly-installed bed lamps and buzzer systems provided for each bed. Several of the Yemenite patients are still wary of shower bath controls, and of the hospital elevator. Kitchen, laundry, and central heating are all steam controlled which is a vast improvement over the primitive conditions of the old hospital. During the Mandate the building served as a government typhus hospital, but has been expanded and streamlined to meet present-day needs.

Countrywide Use

In almost all cases patients who come from all parts of the country and include many immigrants, are sent under the auspices of one of several institutions, such as the Anti-Tuberculosis League, Malben, the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare and Kupat Holim. These institutions also share with Hadassah the expenses of upkeep and treatment.

In discussing the problems of the hospital, Dr. Tzifroni emphasizes the need for more doctors with training and experience in the field of tuberculosis, as well as the need for more graduate nurses.

Many people may ask about the future of the old Hadassah building. This gallant hospital has not been forgotten and in the near future will be renovated and turned into a maternity home.

The Meat Ration Gets Around

By Hadassah Bat Haim

AS I expected, I have been severely taken to task about publishing recipes for meat when our meat ration here in the North is still a fond dream. Still, optimistic as ever, I fully expect to get it this week, being one of those credulous people who always believe everything anyone tells me, even the Ministry of Food. Not only optimistic, according to some critics, but also offensively cheerful. One lady said to me last week that she never read my articles as they made her sick. When I ventured to ask why, she said they were full of a forced brightness. I must tell you though, that it isn't forced. I think it is the sight of my children, now grown into small sized giants on a diet of fish fillet and oranges in one guise or another. Perhaps it's being able to sunbathe in January. No meat notwithstanding, cheerfulness will keep breaking in.

Still hoping that the ration will reach Nahariya and the North in time for Shabbat, here are one or two of our favourite recipes.

Hungarian Goulash

400-500 grams meat cut into small cubes, 1 litre boiling water, stock, part tomato juice or Burgundy, 2 cloves garlic on a toothpick, 2 tsp. paprika, 1 large onion, chopped fine, 3 tbs. fat, 3 tbs. flour. Melt fat in iron pan, add onion and brown. Add meat and brown well on all sides, add flour and seasonings, stir well till blended remove garlic. Add part of liquid and cook, covered, till tender, adding the rest of the liquid as needed. Serves six.

With Vegetables

Twenty minutes before serving, add cubes of potatoes, tiny whole carrots, whole small beans, sliced French beans, and/or cooked Lima beans. Also chopped parsley or celery and dumplings.

In case you have any of your meat left over try the following classic:

Shepherds' Pie

Mince up all the remaining cooked meat with one or two mushrooms, one onion, and a cooked tomato if available. Boil and mash as many potatoes as you have eaters. Add one tablespoonful of flour and one tablespoonful egg powder (dry). Mash together until quite smooth, then spread the meat in the greased wonderpot, spread the potatoes on top and bake until the potatoes are brown.

For those of us still (or back) on fillet, here is a recipe worth the trouble that it gives.

2 fillets of cod (½ kilo together) 5 tbs. margarine or oil, ¾ cup white wine, ½ tbs. lemon juice, 2 slices of onion, 2 tbs. flour, ½ cup fish stock or water, 2 tbs. milk (tops), 2 reconstituted eggs, well beaten, salt and pepper, parsley finely chopped.

Arrange fish in greased baking dish or wonderpot. Add three tablespoons melted margarine or oil, wine, lemon juice, and sliced onion. Cover. Bake 10 minutes over a hot flame. Melt remaining marg, add flour and pour on the liquor drained from fish. Add stock or water, milk tops, eggs, salt and pepper. Remove to serving dish, cover with sauce and sprinkle the top with parsley.

The following dish is a quick and easy one recommended for supper. It has the virtue of cooking itself leaving you free to set the table.

Rarebit de Luxe

1 cup precooked flaked smoked cod, 250 grms. cheese, ½ cup milk, 1 egg (reconstituted). Salt and pepper.

Put the cheese, cut up small, the fish and the milk together in a double cooker—or one saucepan inside another—and stir well. Allow to cook until well blended. Then add the egg and the seasoning, remove from light and serve on toast. Serves six.

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THE OLYMPIC GAMES

HAND No. 13

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North dealer, both sides vulnerable. The bidding:—

North	East	South	West
—	3D	4H	4S
5H	—	—	—

West leads the king of spades. East drops the knave and South wins with the ace.

Declarer must find a means to discard a diamond loser. Both from the official bidding and the opening lead it is easy to construe that West is void of diamonds, and it should therefore be South's aim to establish a spade winner in North on which to dump a diamond. This would be a simple matter if dummy had two quick entries; but declarer cannot enter dummy more than once.

Only a gambit can save the situation. South plays the ace of clubs, draws two rounds of trumps ending in dummy, and continues with the ten of spades, to which he jettisons *the king of clubs!* Now West has to get rid of the unwanted lead. He may not exit with a spade, because this would present declarer with a free finesse and the discard of two diamonds, and the best return is therefore to lay down the queen of clubs; but South needs only to let go a diamond, and the subsequent play of a black card by West will put dummy into the lead, to collect two perfectly good winners.

Should West refuse the spade trick, declarer will force the issue by continuing with the knave of clubs.

So far the official master plan, which must be acclaimed as being exceptionally witty. The hand is unfortunately marred by the presence of a cook. Dummy has one trump too many, and this enables declarer to side-track the issue. Several declarers collected both the ace *and* the king of clubs, and on entering dummy with the second trump they could choose between playing either the ten of spades or the knave of clubs; both continuations were certain to entangle West in a stuff-and-a-ruff play.

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ARAB EDITOR'S ADVENTURES

By GIDEON WEIGERT

SIKRAYAT SUHUFI MUD'TARAD (Memoirs of a Persecuted Journalist), By Hashem e-Saba. Greek Orthodox Convent Press, Old City, Jerusalem. pp. 115. 100 Fils.

Over half a dozen Arabic booklets and pamphlets on the "Palestine War" have been published in Jordan and other Arab countries during the past three years. They have all dealt with the events from a narrow military angle, without attempting to analyze the political factors which led to the "Palestine catastrophe."

The author of this new book, 40-year-old Hashem e-Saba, is owner and editor of the Old City's Weekly "A-Sareeh." He has had 25 years experience as a Palestine Arab nationalist and journalist. Knowing Arab politics in Palestine during the last quarter of a century from the inside, his book is authoritative, critical and significant. From the first page which takes us back to his native Kalkilia in 1912, the reader feels that here is a writer who fears nothing and who does not hesitate to criticize even the most "sacrosanct" personality among Palestine Arab leaders, the Arab states, their governments and their military commanders.

Strong Arab nationalism was the pride of every Kalkilia youth in the second decade of this century, and as a pupil of that stronghold of Arab national education in Palestine, the Arab "A-Najah" college in Nablus, Hashem e-Saba was taught to hate the British and Zionism by teachers who later became the ideological leaders of the Palestine Arab National movement; men like Izzat Darwaza and Zaki a-Nakash.

While still at school, he made his first acquaintance with police and prison. His first court-martial took place a year later in Tulkarm, following a violent nationalist speech, by which young Hashem prevented his neighbours from selling a plot of land to the late Yehoshua Hankin. At the same time he took his first active step towards his future role in Arab public life by aiding the gangs under the notorious Abu Jildah, for whom he collected arms, ammunition, funds and food. For this he was sentenced to a month in Acre gaol. He later became a frequent visitor there as a result of the bitter writings from his sharp pen.

Troubled Years

E-Saba spent the following years penniless between Palestine, Trans-Jordan, Syria, the Lebanon, (where he first took to journalism), and Egypt, (where he failed to graduate from Al Azhar university). He edited his first papers, "El Huriah" (Freedom) and "Nida el Ard" (The Call of the Land) in 1947, and as a result of his violent anti-Husseini editorials, his press in Jaffa was twice blown up by agents of the Mufti. Splitting with Haj Amin, Hashem e-Saba moved his weekly "A-Sareeh" (The Frank One) to the "dangerous triangle," where he published his paper near the headquarters of Kaukji's "Liberation Army."

Analyzing the background of events which led to the "Palestine War," the author says: "The Jews were highly organized, while the Arabs, victims of ignorance, had a negative policy. The members of the Arab Higher Executive under the influence of the Husseinis, did nothing but quarrel among themselves." While the Arab parties' main interest was outside appearances, the Jews used modern methods of convincing each other by arguments: "they fought each other by words, we by bullets and daggers; they meant it seriously, whereas we just fooled around." Of the three years from 1937 to 1940, Hashem e-Saba spent two and a half in detention camps.

Turning to the disturbances of 1947, which led to the outbreak of war, e-Saba comments: "What hope we placed on the arrival of Kaukji's Liberation Army, and how great was its failure!" After a brief description of Kaukji's attack on Mishmar Ha'emek, e-Saba states quite frankly that "the only achievements which the liberation force can record with pride, are the robbing of villages, the attacks on womenfolk, and the quarrels with the Mufti's followers. There was not a single Palestine Arab who did not breathe a sigh of relief when King Abdullah finally ordered Kaukji's army to leave the country for ever."

Mufti Agents' Corruption

The author and his family left a day before the official Arab invasion of Israel on April 14, 1948. When he arrived in Cairo, the headquarters of the exiled Haj Amin el Husseini and the all-Palestine "Gaza" puppet government, he saw the corruption of the Mufti's agents, who purchased old arms abandoned by the Allies in the Western desert, and resold them at vast profit to the Palestine fighters and volunteers. After the Rhodes armistice agreements, when he was about to return to Jordan, the Egyptian authorities arrested him, and he spent six months at a detention camp near Cairo for anti-Egyptian propaganda and criticism of the Arab armies in Palestine. He was detained in a wing with Jews because the Arabs refused to admit him to their wing; and he was only released after a 17 day hunger strike.

The second part of the book, which contains some brief and fairly objective passages on Zionism, deals mainly with the armistice agreements, the P.C.C., the fall of Jaffa and Haifa, and mentions the fact that no Arab writer has yet dealt with the history of these two battles, while the Jews, particularly M. Begin, have written detailed accounts. He gives the full text of the unconditional surrender documents.

The last 40 pages are devoted to more personal reminiscences of the Palestine Arab national movement, the Arabic press, the emancipation of Arab women, clubs and organizations, and finally his trip to England as a member of the Palestine Arab journalists' delegation in 1949.

A strong Arab nationalist, e-Saba always fought for his own views. Although he gives high praise to the late King Abdullah to whom he owes his life, which was threatened more than once, the editor of the present Old City weekly "A-Sareeh" suffered as much oppression under the Hashemite regime in Jordan after his return in 1949 as he did under the British "imperialistic regime." During the last two years, his paper, published first in Nablus and later in the Old City, has been suspended by the Amman authorities over two dozen times, the editor gaoled, and certain issues burned, yet Hashem continues on his own way. The book concludes with the words:

We must turn our country into a huge military training camp, we must feed our sons with hatred of Zionism and Imperialism, we must turn our defeat into hope. There must rise a new leader, one who sleeps with the refugees in their camps and eats from their dry bread. We must unite the Arab countries and be strong before it is too late to regain our lost country, and be again masters in our fatherland.

ANTON JAROSY: MAN READING

Memorial Exhibition at the Touring Club in Talbieh, Jerusalem.

Current Exhibitions

THE Annual Exhibition of Haifa Artists just opened at the Haifa Municipal Museum, again reveals the steady advance apparent since 1948, but this time interest focuses on the line work. It is as if the artists, jaded by the repetition of styles and subjects in painting, have sought to renew their vision—thus Meyerowitz's rounded nude, Schlesinger's elongated nude, Slonim's fancy, Wittman's strong head and Friedlander's monotype. Without reference to their oils, these and others have refreshed the imagination in a medium other than their usual one.

The sculpture rises above the habitual Haifa level. There are oldtimers like Michael who exhibits a classical "Young Girl" (No.7) and Kuenz, a child's head (No. 12). Two wood carvings, Wartenberg's "Head" (No. 5), strong but badly placed for observation, and Sach's "Image" (No. 6) are interesting.

The standard of the oils is good, but once again is subject to that continual fluctuation, from show to show, which characterizes so many of our artists.

The abstract and stylized still exert considerable sway. Far and away the best of this class for colour and design is Shabat's "Still Life" (No. 50).

Haifa's chief aesthetic advantage, the Carmel, is treated with a purer sense of enjoyment than ever before and all in all, Haifa artists seem to have awakened and are on the forward march. *H.*

Swiss Posters

BOLDNESS and simplicity characterize the excellent selection of Swiss posters now on exhibition at the Tel Aviv Museum. The artists concerned have grasped the important fact that a poster must make an immediate effect on the passer-by and its message be apprehended in a rapid glance. Not one of the placards shown is complicated by unnecessary detail.

As anyone acquainted with the Swiss art books might have expected, printing and typography are superb. Specially worth noting are the bright, clean Alpine country scenes which make the spectator long to visit Switzerland. *S.W.*

Fifty Years K.K.L.

THE Jewish National Fund's exhibition "A People and its Land" is a record of fifty years' activity. Entering this exhibition dedicated to the land and the open air, we found daylight excluded. Jerusalem's Artists House, with its large, light halls, has been turned into an artificially lit labyrinth. A maze of tunnels, built from sacking, connects a series of artificial caves like a fairground's "Haunted Castle."

There are, however, many most interesting models, featuring afforestation and corridor settlement, the landscape of the Negev of the Future and the Huleh scheme. Statistical representation is lively and instructive. The photographic part of the exhibition is good, although perhaps pictures of immigrants from oriental countries have been over-emphasized. The historical documents are well selected, and many unusual relics from the Fund's early days are exhibited.

All this valuable material, however, is set in an interior of naive romanticism. Do we really need "genuine" rocks, "genuine" trees in a serious exhibition? The climax of the show — life-size children silhouetted in plywood, and looking into a magically illuminated landscape with "genuine" shrubbery in the background—remind one of the "Panoramas" fashionable in the Eighties.

If this is an exhibition for adults, one wonders why the explanations in a Keren Kayemeth Exhibition, arranged in Jerusalem, a "Tourist City," are exclusively in Hebrew.

Th. F.M.

THE WRITER'S WORKSHOP

THE MAGIC OF MY YOUTH. By Arthur Calder-Marshall. Hart-Davis, London. pp.236. 12/6.

OCCUPATION: WRITER. By Robert Graves. Cassell, London. pp.276. 12/6.

"There is only one thing I want to do and that is to write well." This somewhat hackneyed undergraduate ambition is expressed, fortunately, to a "shagged and sorry" old black-magician ineffectually trying to hypnotize the speaker over a bottle of brandy. Mr. Calder-Marshall's piquant study of his adolescence is no self-analysing "confession." Art, Bohemia, and the Occult seemed dazzling enough at first to this favoured middle-class youth; but when finally he came down from Oxford at the end of the Twenties, it was to enquire at a famous scholastic agency for the worst school on their books. "There were only two things holding me back in my career. The first was that I didn't know how to write, and the second was that I had nothing to write about."

To evoke his progress towards reality, Mr. Calder-Marshall concentrates upon the personalities of some half-dozen acquaintances who fascinated him at different stages. His at times slightly brutal sense of the grotesque is allied happily with a flair for simile. "Across the country, bailiffs like beaters started to move in and the Auntie Helens, were the first to be flushed"; again, "Sometimes he looked at himself in a mirror for a long time, hoping his unloveliness would vanish, like a pimple. But there was his early Saxon image staring him out of countenance, like a wind-chapped churl." Yet he does more than produce a memorable gallery of slightly repulsive failures. The out-at-elbows garrulous bad poet, the penniless "tragedy queen" in an Oxford attic, the phthisic social climber—all lived with a compelling intensity. He records, causticallly, their inadequacies; but he recreates, also, something of the glamour and the almost tragic beauty that they had for him. It makes a book which, if rather uneven, is certainly unusual.

Mr. Graves's career provides a stimulating exemplar for the would-be writer; for he is one of the few rebels who today can still cock a really honest snook at "pluto-democratic society." Considering himself essentially a poet, and determined to keep his due distance from "the anti-poetic world of commerce and bureaucracy," he has supported a large family now with, among many varied and admirable books, some of the best historical novels of our time. In 1949 he collected together his essays on poetry in "The Common Asphodel." The present companion volume contains the rest of his bye-works, including a couple of plays, some short stories, notes from a journal, and miscellaneous articles.

The usual virtues of the author of 'I, Claudius' and 'Goodbye to All That' are all in evidence. The point of view is always original, the sense of humour bracingly grim, and the prose sinewy and direct. At the same time unfortunately, the toughness of character which enabled him to escape with dignity to Majorca makes the book rather disappointing as a whole. The truculence and "knowingness," in the short stories and plays, of a number of the main characters, being unrelieved by any kind of emotional warmth, produces an atmosphere of aggressiveness which ultimately is quite depressing.

Mr. Graves is at his best sardonically investigating such curious, if slight, subjects as Colonel Blimp's ancestors, a mythical interpretation of the drowning of Pharaoh's army during the Exodus, and ritual incest in the Roman Imperial family. 'Lars Porsena, or The Future of Swearing and Improper Language' is, of course, quite brilliant.

JOHN FRASER

JEWS IN ANCIENT EGYPT

A collection of all the Greek papyri and ostraca relating to Jews and Judaism for 1,000 years (from the third century B.C.E. to the seventh century C.E.), which have been unearthed by scientists in Egypt, will be published at an early date jointly by the Hebrew University-Magnes Press and the Harvard University Press under the title of "Corpus Papyrorum Judaicarum." The publication of these highly significant documents was made possible by a grant of $10,000 from the Lucien N. Littauer Foundation of the U.S.A. The Israel Ministry of Education and Culture has also made a grant of IL. 1,000 for the same purpose.

Many years of research have been devoted to this subject by Professor V.A. Tcherikover, Professor of Greek and Roman History at the Jerusalem University, assisted by Dr. A. Fuks, Instructor in Classics. A book published by Professor Tcherikover in 1945 under the title of "The Jews in Egypt in the Hellenistic-Roman Age in the Light of the Papyri," was based entirely on the documents now to be published in the "Corpus."

The 500 and more papyri and ostraca, which will be reproduced in two large quarto volumes of about 450 pages each, contain important information on the history of the Jews in Egypt during the Hellenistic, Roman and Byzantine periods, their political, social, economic and legal status, their role in the army, the extent to which they were integrated in the Greek and Egyptian communities, and the like. Some of the papyri contain important new data on the great Jewish revolt in the days of the Emperor Trajan. It is evident from these records that the Egyptian Jews took an active part in the life of the country and sometimes played a prominent role in politics.

All the documents are reproduced in the original Greek, together with an English translation. The publication of the "Corpus Papyrorum Judaicarum" will be followed by a Hebrew translation of its most important documents with a short commentary.

WOMEN'S VOICE

HUMAN RIGHTS: THE TASK BEFORE US. International Federation of University Women, London. pp.100.

This booklet, in English and French, has a special character in the growing literature about human rights. All the authors are women, and university women. It contains a number of papers which were read at the 10th Conference of the International Federation of University Women, and deal with broad issues.

The first paper, by Miss Bowie, the British delegate to the Human Rights Commission of the United Nations, urges the inclusion of effective measures of implementation in the Covenant of Human Rights. "To temporize on questions of human rights gives power to the dictators.—The present state of half-hearted cooperation between governments is the unhappy outcome of a world divided by ideologies."

Two of the women write about the right use of science, Professor Kathleen Lonsdale of England, and Professor Charlotte Ruys of Amsterdam. Professor Lonsdale thinks that the greatest hope for the future is that mankind is developing a social conscience.—But how slowly! Professor Ruys argues that bacteriological weapons must be condemned, and the scientist should stop providing the means of attack.

This collection of papers is a contribution to clear thinking. *N.B.*

Life and Letters

A Moses Play

In his play "The Firstborn," Christopher Fry writes about Moses at the age of 35, becoming aware of his mission and the divine purpose behind it. Fry told a "Daily Telegraph" reporter that he began writing "The Firstborn" in 1938 and came back to it after the war. This long play was first seen at Edinburgh in 1948, but there have been many revisions including a new last act for the production at the Arts Theatre in London.

Ullstein Restored

The Ullstein publishing concern was restored last week with a short ceremony in the American High Commission offices in Western Berlin. Founded in 1877 by five Jewish brothers, the firm employed about 10,000 persons when the Nazis forced its sale and changed its name to "Deutscher Verlag." The present owners are Rudolf and Karl Ullstein, son and grandson respectively of the founders.

Vatican Manuscripts

The Pope has granted permission to the University of St. Louis (Missouri) to arrange for the reproduction in micro-film of large parts of the most precious manuscripts in the Vatican library. The work, which is being financed wholly by the Knights of Columbus, has been begun, and will take two years to complete.

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Black: Ka6, Ra4, Bc4, Pa3, b6, d2, d6, d7, f2, f5, g6.

Mate in Three (9-11)

SOLUTIONS

Problem 639 (Goldschmidt): Set: 1.-Kc5 2.Be3x; 1.-Bc5 2.Re4x; 1.Ra5 K.c5 2.Qd4x; 1.-B.c5 2.Rc6x.

Problem 640 (Eliash): 1.Kf1:c3+ Kb6 2.Rd5 d4x.

GAME No. 330

White: Penner Black: Steiner
(Madrid, 1951)

1.d4 Kf6 2.c4 e6 3.d:e6 Ke4 4.Kd2 Bb4 5.Kg2 Kf6 6.a3 Ba5 7.K1:d2 K1:d2 8.B.d2 K1:e6 9.B.g5 f6 10.e4 Qe7 11.f4 K1:g5 12.Q:g5 0-0 13.B.d3 b6 14.b4 Bb7 15.h5 K.h5 16.h6 g6 17.0-0-0 Kf7 18.Qe3 Kh6 19.Rd2 Qf7 20.f5 K.g4 21.e5! K1:f5 22.e:f6 R.e8 23.Re7 R.e7 24.f:e7 Kg6 25.B.f5 Q.f5 26.Qd4 Kf7 27.e4.Q+ R.e6 28.Q.f7+ Ke8 29.Re1+ Be4 30. R.e4+ resigns.

GAME No. 331

White: Grob Black: Chanda
(Zurich, 1951)

1.f4 d5 2.K.f3 K.f6 3.e5 e6 4.g3 c5 5.B.g2 K.c6 6.K.c3 Be7 7.0-0 0-0 8.d3 Q.c7 9.K.h2 a6 10.B.e3 B.e6 11.Qc2 b5 12.K.e1 Rc8 13.g4 a5! 14.a4 B.a4! 15.K.d4 c.d4 16.Q.c4! f5! 17.Qe6 Rb4 18.Rxa4 Rb7 19.Qd1 f.e4 20.d.e4 e5 21.R.f2 Qg3 22.Rf3 R.f3 23.Rg2

Qh6 24.e.f5 B.d2 25.R.e5 Bf4. White resigns.

RUMANIA. — The Rumanian championship, held last month in Bucharest, ended in a tie between G. Alexandrescu and T. Flondor, both scoring 12 points out of 19 games. They were followed by Erdelyi, St. Szabo, R. Alexandrescu and Balanel 11½ points each, Radulescu 11, Popa and Tyroler 10, Ichim and Reicher 9½, Cretulescu and Constantinescu 9 etc. It is interesting to note that while Alexandrescu is a veteran master and competed in many international tourneys, Flondor is only 23 years-old.

CUBA. — The following masters: Dr. Euwe, Tartakower, Bogoljubov, Yanofsky, Evans, Ed Lasker, Reshevsky and Najdorf will participate in a grand international tourney which the Cuban Government is planning for March 1952.

RHODESIA. — The Rhodesian championship was played in Bulawayo and resulted in a victory for K. Marusio who scored 7 points out of 8. The runner-up, M. Pinaz was second with 6½ points.

AUSTRIA. — In the course of the "Austrian-Soviet Amity Month," a delegation of eminent Soviet chess masters has visited Vienna. Among the other members there were Grandmaster D. Bronstein, V. Makagonov and A. Tolush. Here are some results of the simultaneous games played by the Soviets. Bronstein engaged 40 of the best Austrian players and achieved as outstanding result: Won 36, Drew 3 and Lost 1. A simultaneous game with clocks against Vienna's top ten players ended in a draw: Bronstein won 8, lost 9 and drew 4. Makagonov played in Sankt Polten against 31 men: Won 27, drew 1, lost 1. Tolush had a great success in Linz where he engaged 10 players in a simul. game with clocks: Won 7, drew 2, lost 1. The exhibitions of the Soviet masters drew a record crowd never before seen in Austria on similar occasions.

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Balance Sheet as at the 31st December, 1951 (To be submitted to the General Meeting for Approval)

31st December, 1950 IL.		Authorized IL.	Issued and fully paid IL.	IL.	31st December, 1950 IL.		IL.	IL.
	CAPITAL AND RESERVES					**FIXED ASSETS**		
	Share Capital					Land and Buildings (at 35 and 35a Yehuda Halevi Street, Tel Aviv), nominal value		1
60,000	600,000 Ordinary Shares of 100 pruta each	60,000	60,000			Office Furniture, nominal value		1
225,000	150,000 Ordinary Shares of IL. 5 each	750,000	425,000		1	Investments, at cost	66,892	66,634
	38,000 6% Cumulative Participating Preference Shares of IL. 5 each	190,000	190,000		1			
190,000					63,499			63,501
475,000		1,000,000	675,000		63,501			
185,000	Reserve Fund		200,000			**LONG TERM LOANS**		
5,271	Profit and Loss Account—Balance of Profit		6,382	881,382	4,084,919	Loans on Mortgage		4,468,747
665,271						**INVESTMENT OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE ADVANCE GRANTED BY THE TREASURY OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL**		
	LONG TERM LIABILITIES					Interim Credit granted at the risk of the Treasury	3,346,938	
	Debentures secured by a Floating Charge on the assets of the Bank—				252,656	Treasury Bills of the State of Israel	682,060	3,911,998
3,147,430	4% Debentures		3,311,050		3,750,000			
4,876	Debentures called for redemption, but not presented for payment		2,186		3,982,656			
84,982	Debenture Interest accrued due		85,327	3,398,563		**CURRENT ASSETS**		
3,237,288						Sundry Debtors and Payments in Advance	139,496	
	THE TREASURY OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL				84,315	Treasury Bills of the State of Israel	37,931	
	Payments on account of acquisition of Debentures			3,911,998	—	Cash at Banks and in Hand	82,638	256,995
4,000,000					147,295			
	CURRENT LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND PROVISIONS				231,609			
	Creditors, Contingencies Reserve and Provisions — including provisions for Taxation and proposed dividends			562,361		On behalf of the Board of Directors: S. HOOFIEN, E. LEVONTIN, Directors		
440,125								
8,312,694			IL. 8,734,431		8,312,694			IL. 8,734,431

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

We have audited the above Balance Sheet and the Profit and Loss Account annexed thereto, and have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purpose of our audit. In our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the Bank so far as appears from our examination thereof.

The said Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account are in agreement with the books of account. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the said Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of the Bank's affairs as at the 31st December, 1951 and the Profit and Loss Account gives a true and fair view of the result of the business of the Bank for the year ended on that date.

TEL AVIV, 11th January, 1952. RUSSELL & Co. Chartered Accountants, Auditors.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 30th Annual General Meeting of the General Mortgage Bank of Palestine Limited will be held at the Board Room of The Bank Leumi Le-Israel B.M., at 38 Yehuda Halevi St., corner Herzl St., Tel Aviv, on Sunday, February 10, 1952, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon for the following purposes, viz: To receive and consider the annual statement of accounts and Balance Sheet for the year 1951 and the reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon; to sanction the allocation of the profit and the declaration of dividend; to elect Directors; to appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration.

Holders of Share Warrants desiring to attend and vote at the General Meeting shall deposit their Share Warrants at the office of the Company at least 2 clear days before the date of the Meeting in conformity with article 43 of the Articles of Association of the Company.

Instruments appointing a proxy and the power of attorney or other authority shall be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the Meeting; in default the instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid in conformity with article 46 of the Articles of Association of the Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors
A. J. ROYAL, Secretary.